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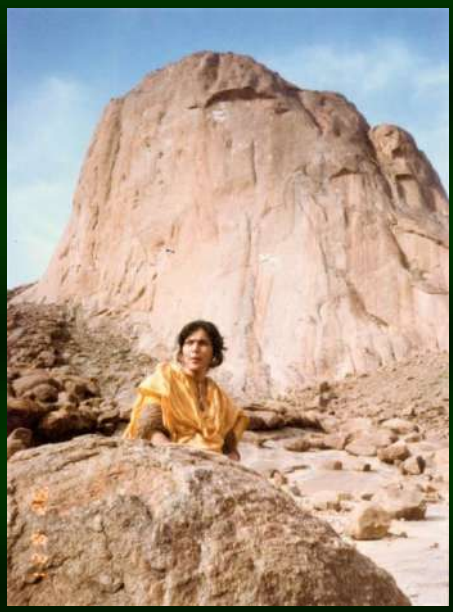

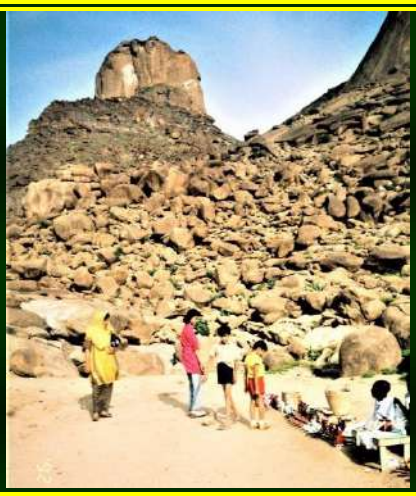

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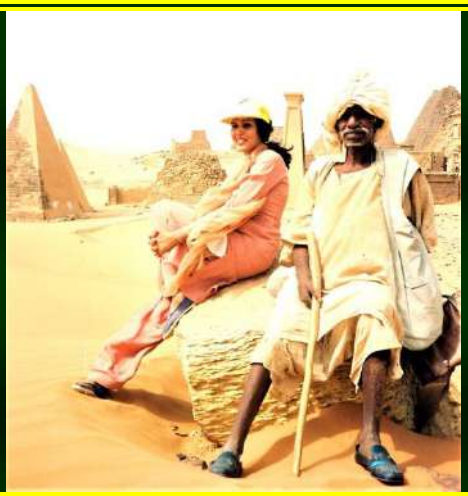

PREFACE

PICTORIAL TRAVELOGUE TRAVELS
PART II SUDAN

In the first part of my Travelogue about the Sudan, I wrote in brief the circumstances which led me to visit Sudan, which I reproduced on the following three pages taken from the Part One of the Sudan Pictorial Travelogue; to maintain continuity. The first part was about the Social Life in Sudan whereas in the Second Part the concentration is on the Travelling in the country on duty or otherwise.

ARRIVAL IN THE SUDAN

During 1989, while I was working with Pakistan Railway Advisory and Consultancy Services (PRACS), was selected as Railway Operation Specialist on a World Bank Funded Programme of Rehabilitation and Recovery of Sudan Railways Corporation through Canadian Pacific Consultancy Service, Canada in the Sudan. Necessary confirmation was received during October 1990 and asked to report at Khartoum by 31st October 1990. Necessary arrangements were made accordingly; and on 30th October 1990, in the evening, I was at Khartoum Airport, wherefrom was taken to the Hilton Hotel, Khartoum. I have heard and read a lot about this city especially about holding of International Conferences. It was really an exciting moment of my life; the good job and opportunity to work in Africa. I travelled according to the following itinerary.

ITINERARY

From	To	By	Departure	Arrival	REMARKS
Lahore (Pakistan)	Karachi (Pakistan)	PK - 347	7:10 0th October 1990	9:00 30th October 1990	Right Time
Karachi (Pakistan)	Abu Dhabi	PK - 237	14:15 30th Oct. 1990	15:15 30th Oct. 1990	Late by 45 Minutes
Abu Dhabi	Khartoum (Sudan)	SD - 237	16:00 30th Oct. 1990	18:00 30th Oct. 1990	Right Time

Mr. Hamada, an Egyptian settled in Canada, was the first person of the team who greeted and conducted me in the hotel. After fulfilling the

formalities of checking in, he familiarized me with the hotel facilities and entrained me in the coffee shop. The Hotel was good with the five star facilities located between the White Nile and Blue Nile on the Bank of Blue Nile-

Next day, on 31st October 1990, Mr. Hamada took me to the Office of Sudan Railway Corporation and then to the Agents Office. He also facilitated me to visit the Office of Charge de Affairs, Pakistan, where I met Mr. Akhter Malik of Pakistan Foreign Office. He greeted us pleasantly; and remained so, till were in Sudan.

Our place of duty was Atbara, the Headquarters Office of Sudan Railway Corporation, but we kept waiting in the hotel for our movement permit which took some time to be ready. During this waiting period I kept roaming about the city and visited almost all the important places.

I was provided my exclusive Prado; therefore the movement was easy and independent. This period we enjoyed a lot without any assignment. However I visited a number of Railway Installations in and around Khartoum and met many a people. All very warm and welcoming which made me comfortable and at ease.

At Last, on 7th November 1990 we moved towards Atbara, almost in a caravan led by Mr. Murray Horn, the Team Coordinator, full of zeal, zest

and energy; very caring and cooperative. I enjoyed his company throughout my stay on the Project.

We left Khartoum at 8:30 and reached Atbara at 16:30. The journey was through the desert except a metaled road up to Gally, wherefrom we were driving through a sandy and rocky desert; very exciting, as I was driving my own vehicle independently. It was entirely a different and thrilling experience.

Next day, on the 8th November 1990, I was taken to the Sudan Railways Corporation's Headquarters Office by Murray Horn, where I was introduced to the Chief Traffic Manager of SRC and the Chief Planning Officer, who warmly greeted me and introduced to other concerned officers. This was my first day on duty in the office, which, I performed till the end of the project during June 1993.

Syed Ahmad Abbas was my counterpart at this project and he remained so till the end. He was very nice, helping, understanding, cooperative and supportive as well. He was great help to me throughout the project.

Now I was a TAT member and Member of Sudan Railway Corporation

COORDINATING OFFICE
IN
KHARTOUM

Canadian Pacific Consulting Services (CPCS), Canada was in contract with Sudan Railway Corporation (SRC) for providing Technical Assistance and Advisory Services to the later. However to meet with their own day to day needs and services either with SRC or other government or private departments, agencies etc. they have a contract with a company as displayed below.

Mr. Dikeran and his team were always there to help and provide services to the CPCS as well as the individual members of the Technical Team like arrangements of travelling permits and arranging other important documents etc.

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TRAVELS

IN

SUDAN

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TRAVELS IN SUDAN

While working on the Project in Sudan, I visited a number of places and other cities either on duty or as a visit. Most of the time, these tours were through the deserts, alone, with family members or the team members or community members.

These visits were informative as well as enjoyable and socially interactive. On the following pages I am giving a brief account of these tours.

During these tours I took some photographs as well, which I am placing at the appropriate pages.

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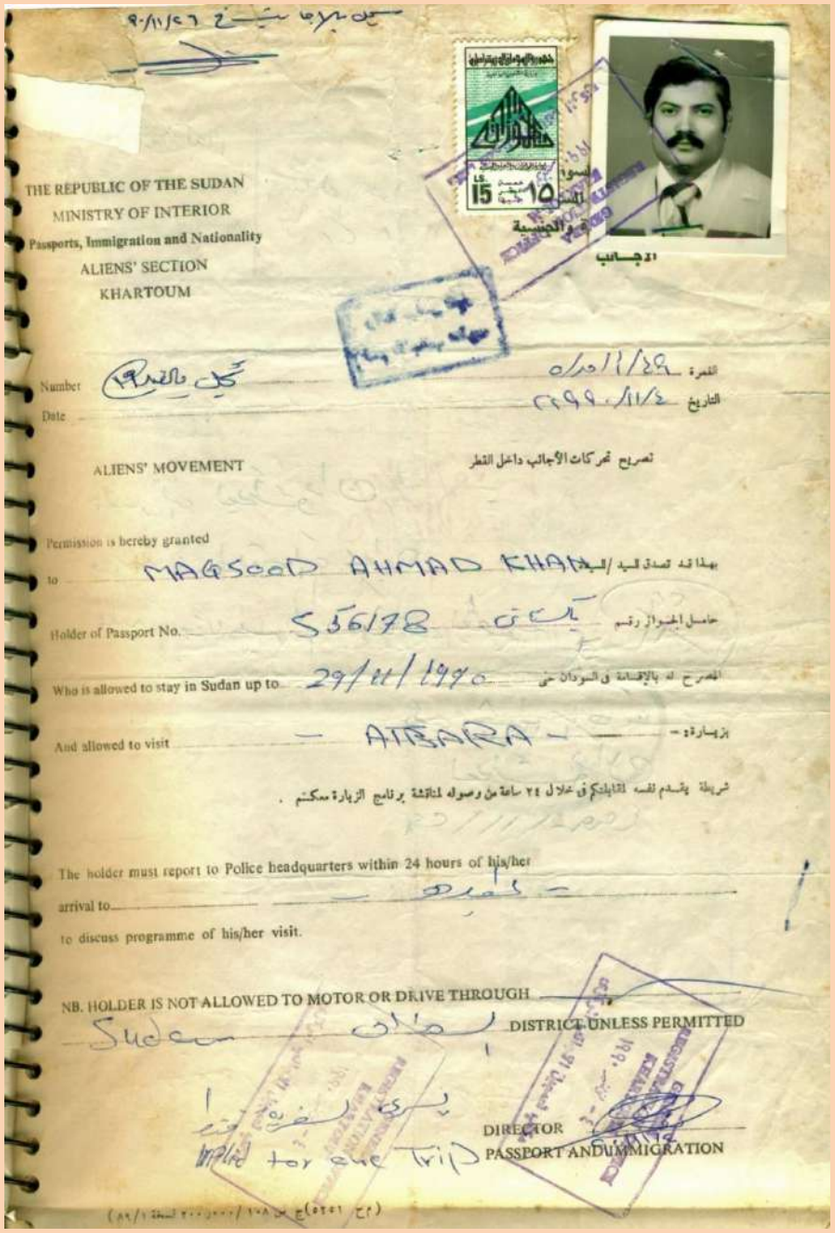

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KHARTOUM

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to MAGSOOD AHMAD KHAN
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Who is allowed to stay in Sudan up to 29/11/1990
And allowed to visit — ATBARA —

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DIRECTOR
PASSPORT AND IMMIGRATION

Valid for one trip

TRAVELS

BETWEEN

ATBARA & KHARTOUM

TRAVELS THROUGH DESERTS BETWEEN ATBARA & KHARTOUM

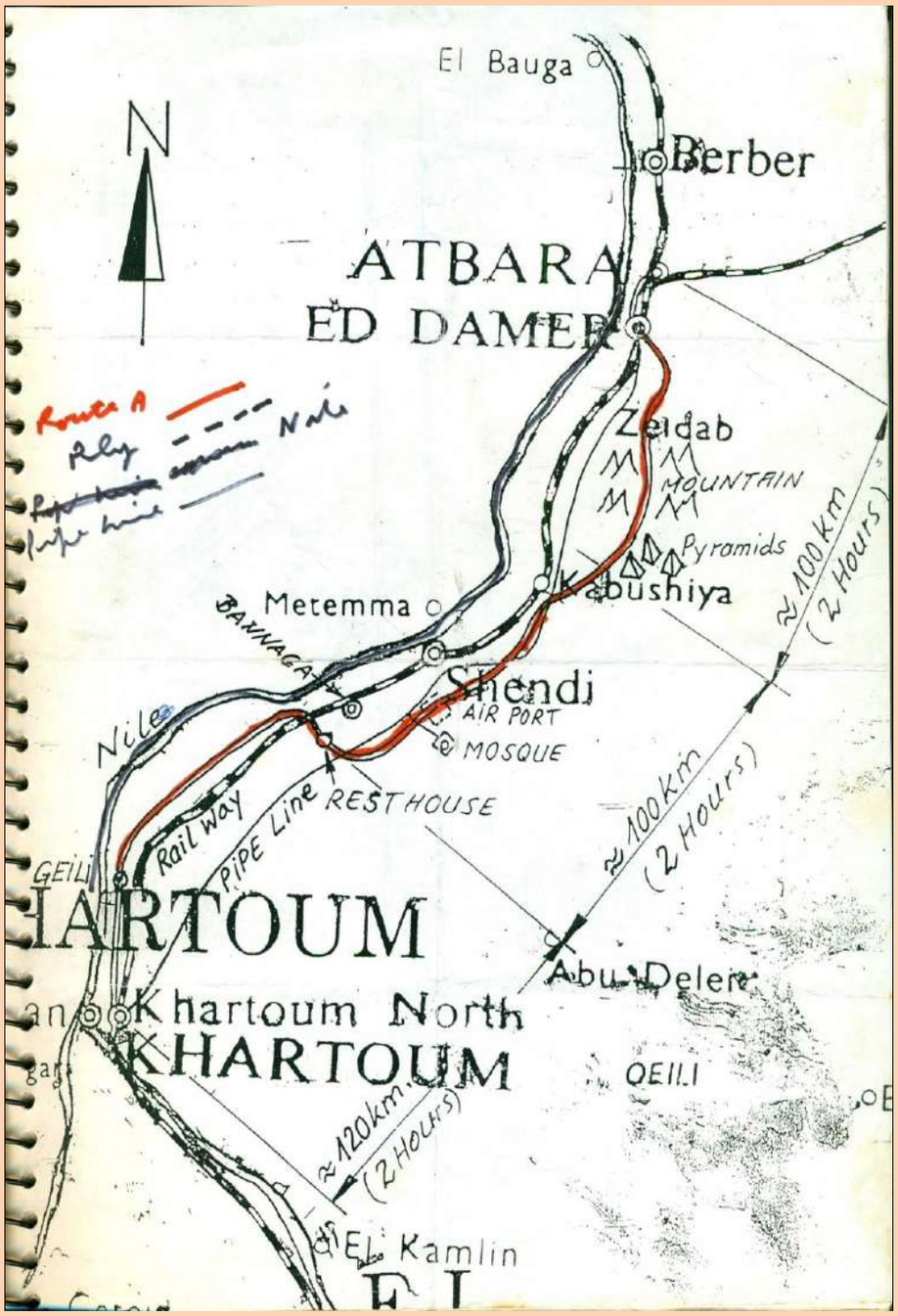
During our stay in Sudan, most of the travelling was between Atbara (Sudan Railway Headquarters Office), our base station and Khartoum, country's capital city, where our Co-ordinating Office, was also there.

From Atbara to Ad-Dāmar the twin city of Atbara, there was a metaled road, thence onward it was all rocky and sandy deserts. The major guidelines for the travellers were to keep towards right while going to Khartoum, meaning close to the the River Nile and vice versa to the left while coming back to Atbara to keep the left; and follow the tracks close to the river Nile. There were small towns and villages along the route on the bank of the river; and Shendi was the town where sometimes we used to take rest or at other shabbily built rest places, which were our favourite places. Here the eatables, tea etc. were available and also these were places of rest and an interaction with the people

On the way there was a cluster of Pyramids, Meroe,, where we also used to stop and had a round of these pyramids.

A SKETCH ROUTE
BETWEEN
ATBARA AND KHARTOUM

This Skelton map was given to all the members of the team by a fellow team member



TRAVELS

25 APRIL
1992

On 25 April 1992, I travelled from Atbara to Khartoum with my son Moeen Ahmad Khan. He enjoyed a lot on our way. We took some photographs which are given on the following pages.

ME WITH MY SON MOEEN AHMAD KHAN

MOEEN AHMAD KHAN - MY SON

MOEEN AHMAD KHAN IN A VERY HAPPY MOOD

MOEEN AHMAD KHAN IN A VERY HAPPY MOOD

MOEEN AHMAD KHAN IN A VERY HAPPY MOOD

ENJOYMENT AT FULL SWING

MOEEN DRIVING THE TRUCK

A POSE OF MOEEN KHAN

25 April
1993

I travelled with my wife, Farzana Ahmad Khan, my son Mohsin Ahmad Khan and My Youngest Son Jehanzeb Ahmad Khan from Atbara to Khartoum

MY WIFE, FARZANA AHMAD KHAN

I, WITH MY WIFE

10 JUNE
1993

On 10 June I travelled from Atbara to Khartoum with my wife Farzana Ahmad Khan and son Jehanzeb Ahmad Khan. With us also travelled Mr. Emil of Sudan Railway and another Sudanese friend.

10 JUNE
1993

EMIL, MY COLLEAGUE, OUR SUDANESE FRIEND, MYSELF, MOHSIN AHMAD KHAN AND WIFE FARZANA AHMAD KHAN - A PASSING BY CAMEL RIDER

10 JUNE
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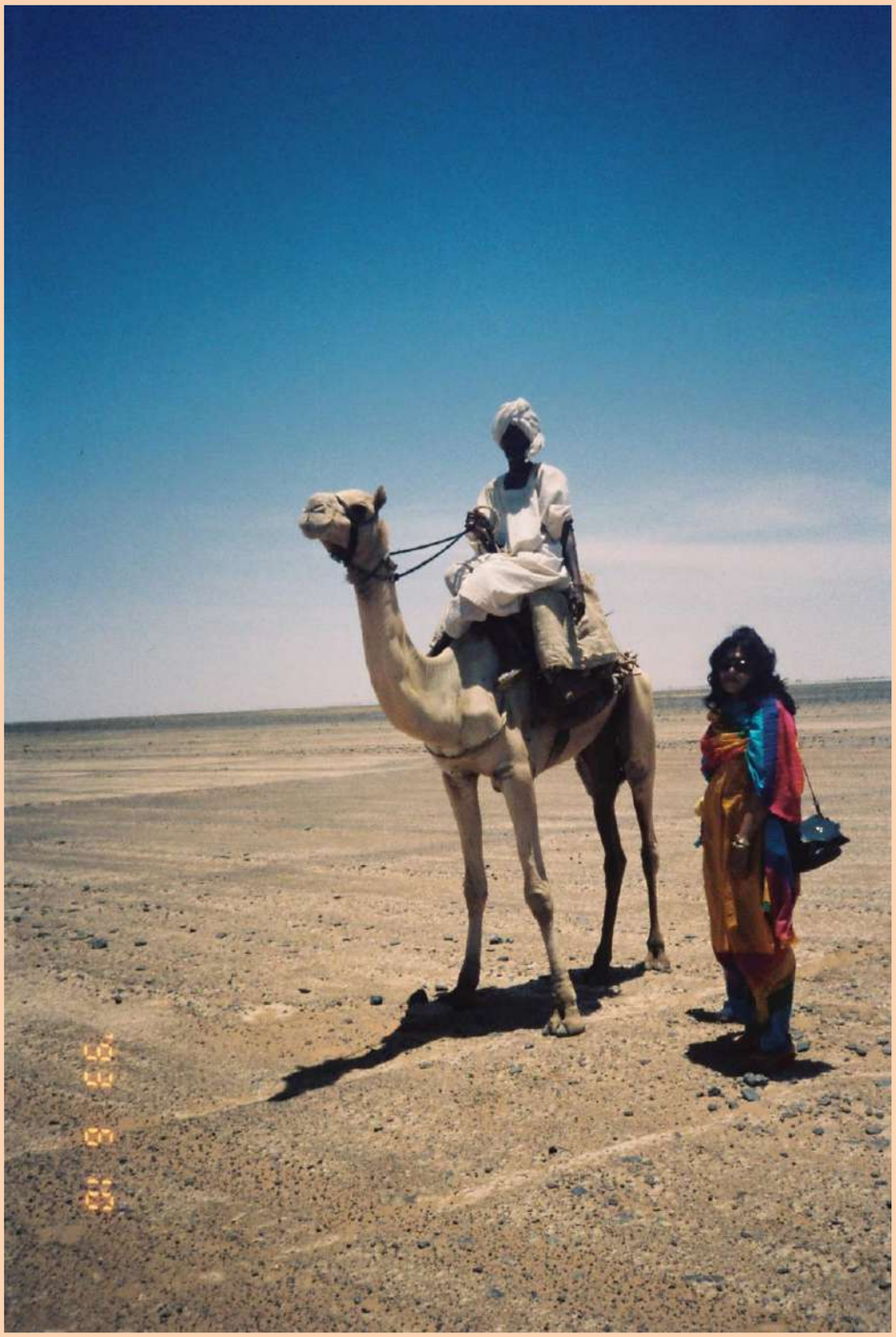
FARZANA AHMAD KHAN WITH PASSING BY CAMEL RIDER



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FARZANA AHMAD KHAN DRIVING THE PAJERO

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FARZANA AHMAD KHAN DRIVING THE PAJERO

10 JUNE
1993

TRACKS THROUGH THE DESERT

10 JUNE
1993

PASSING BY MEROE PYRAMIDS

18 JUNE
1993

On 18 June 1993 we travelled back to Atbara from Khartoum in the company of my wife and son Jehanzeb Ahmad Khan.

WATER SUPPLY POINT IN THE DESERT

18 JUNE
1993

JEHANZEB TOWARDS WATER SUPPLY POINT

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JEHANZEB AT WATER SUPPLY POINT

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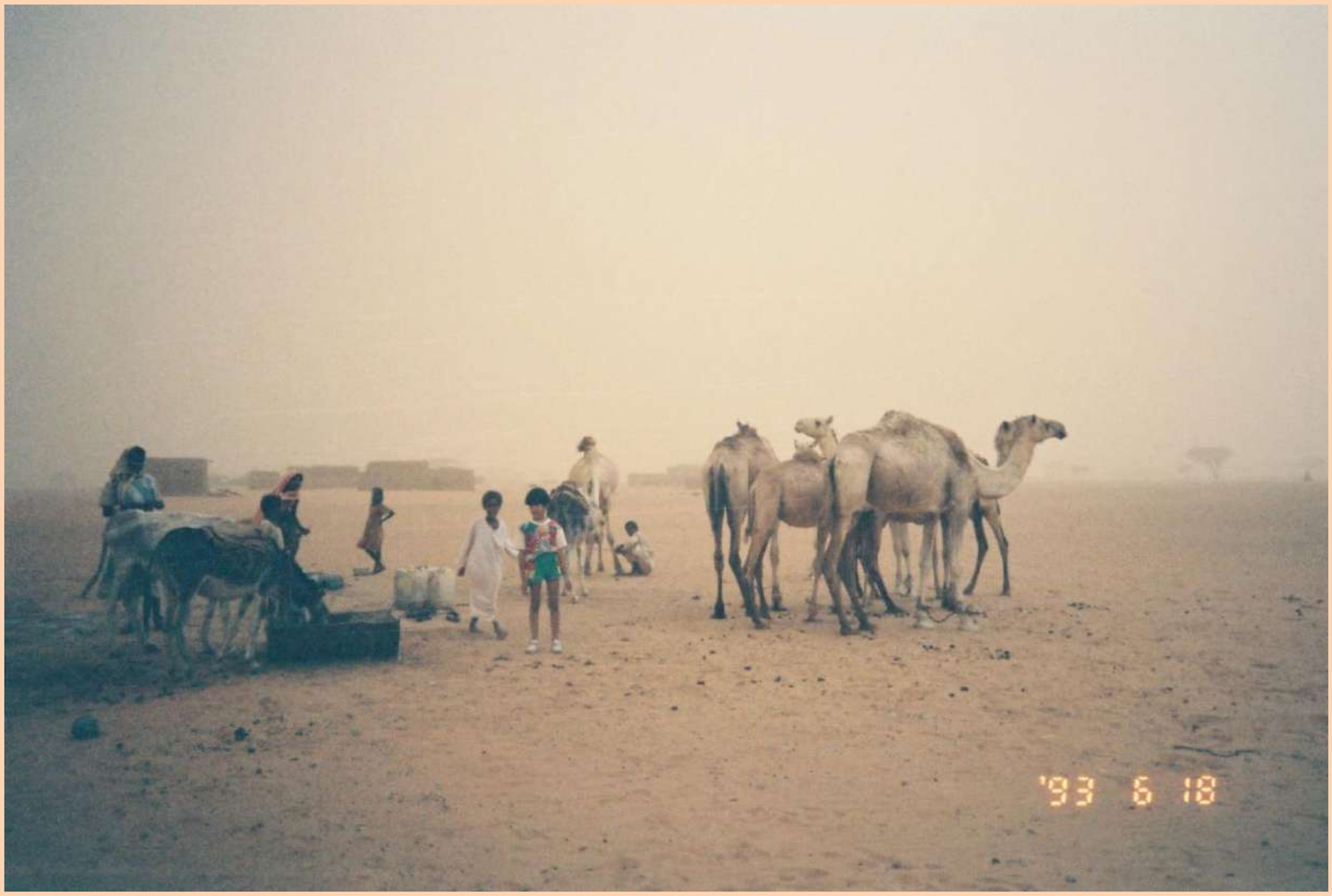
JEHANZEB AT WATER SUPPLY POINT



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1993

JEHANZEB AT WATER SUPPLY POINT

18 JUNE
1993

JEHANZEB AT WATER SUPPLY POINT

18 JUNE
1993

PASSING BY RESIDENT AREA

18 JUNE
1993

PASSING BY THE RAILWAY STATION

1993-6-19

TRAVELLING WITH MY WIFE FARZANA AHMAD KHAN AND MY SONS MOHSIN AHMAD KHAN AND JEHANZEB AHMAD KHAN

ZEB BLUE SHIRT

MOHSIN YELLOW SHIRT

REST PLACE IN THE DESERT

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REST PLACE IN THE DESERT

WITH OWNER OF A RESTAURANT

AN OTHER JOURNEY

THROUGH THE DESERT

ATBARA - KHARTOUM

TRAVELLING WITH MY WIFE AND SON
ATBARA – KHARTOUM

While passing through the desert we stopped at a hilly point to find some shade to sit and have light refreshment which, always was with us with lot of water; and the children enjoyed wandering here and there.

JEHANZEB KHAN ENJOYING THE LONELINESS IN THE DESERT

A SNAPSHOT OF ALL OF US IN THE DESERT

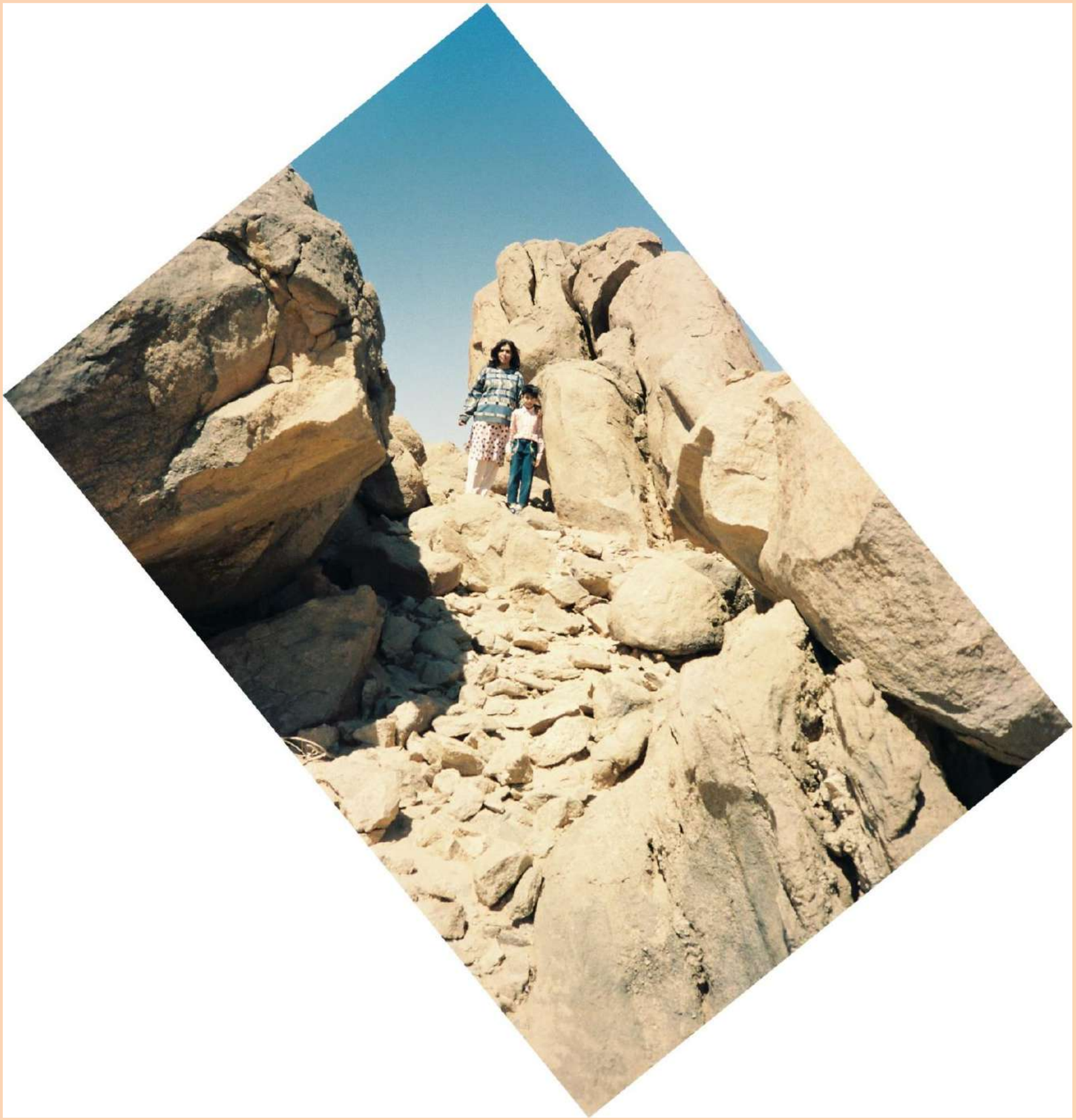
FARZANA AHMAD KHAN IN THE DESERT

JEHANZEB IN A PLAYFUL MOOD IN THE DESERT

AND

MOHSIN KHAN ENJOY WATCHING HIM

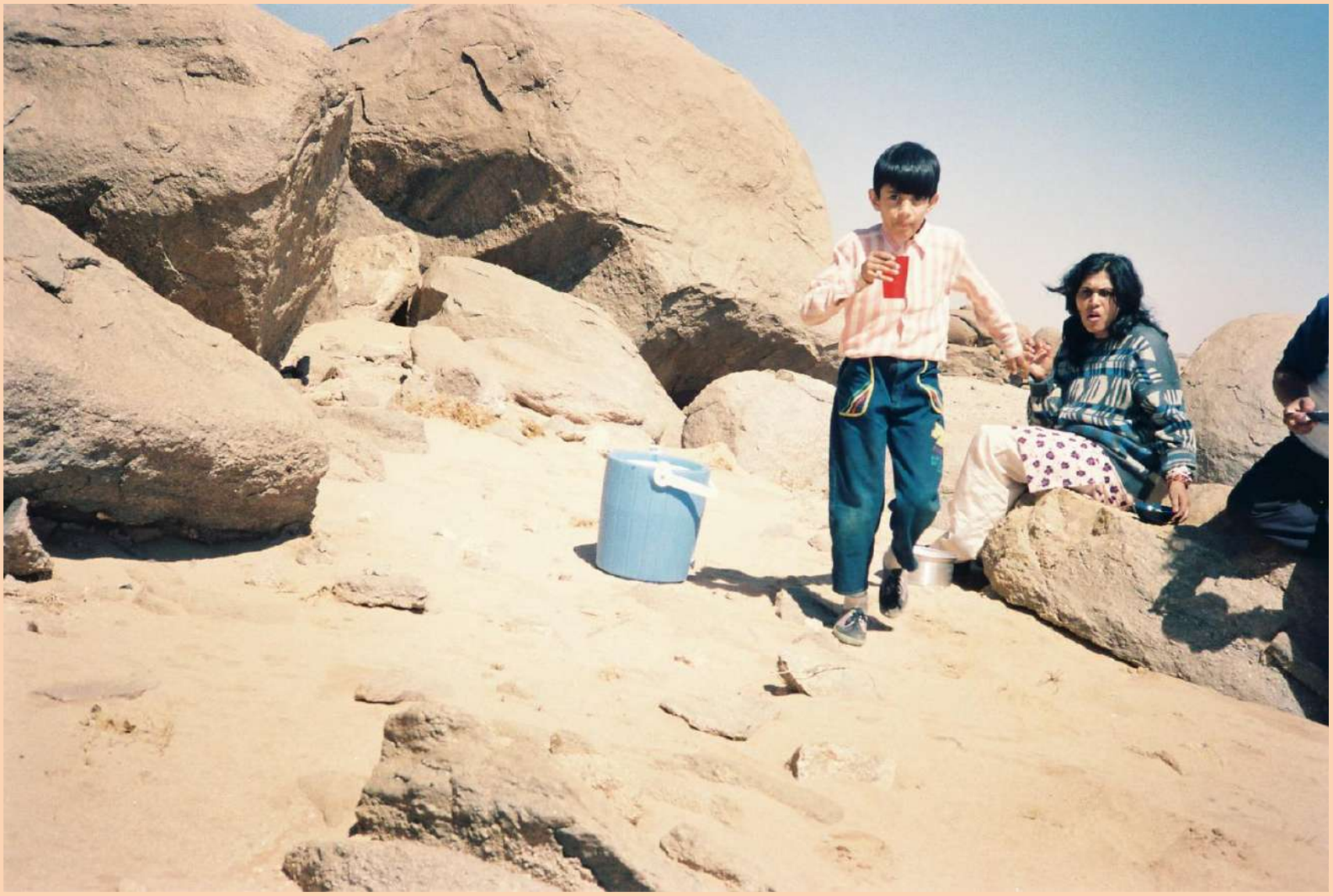
MOHSIN KHAN WITH HIS MOTHER AMONGST THE ROCK



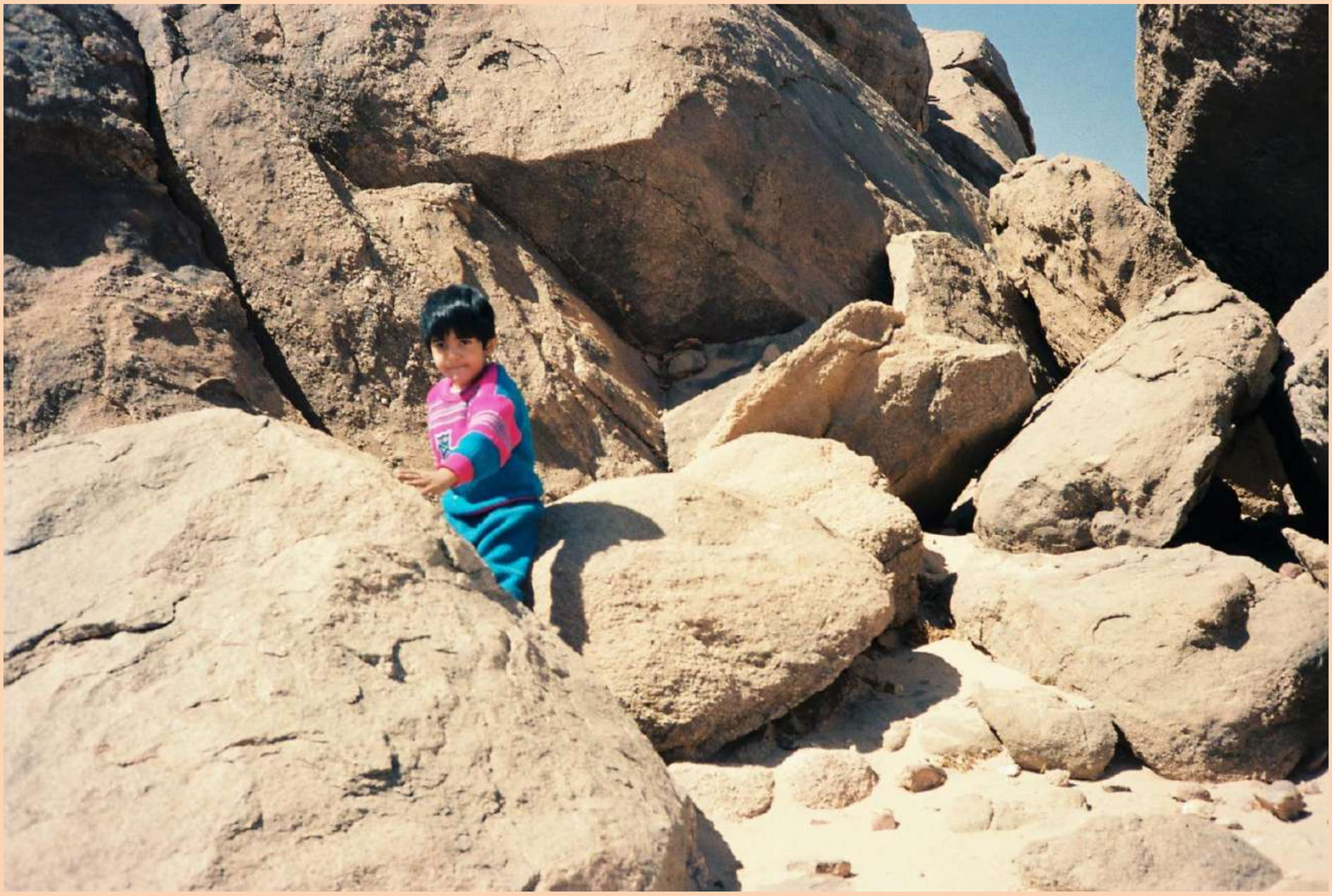
ME AND FARZANA KHAN, WIFE SITTING ON A STONE

ME AND FARZANA KHAN, WIFE SITTING ON A STONE MOHSIN IN THE BACKGROUND ENJOYING LUNCH

MOHSIN KHAN WITH HIS MOTHER



ZEB KHAN ALONE AMONGST THE ROCK

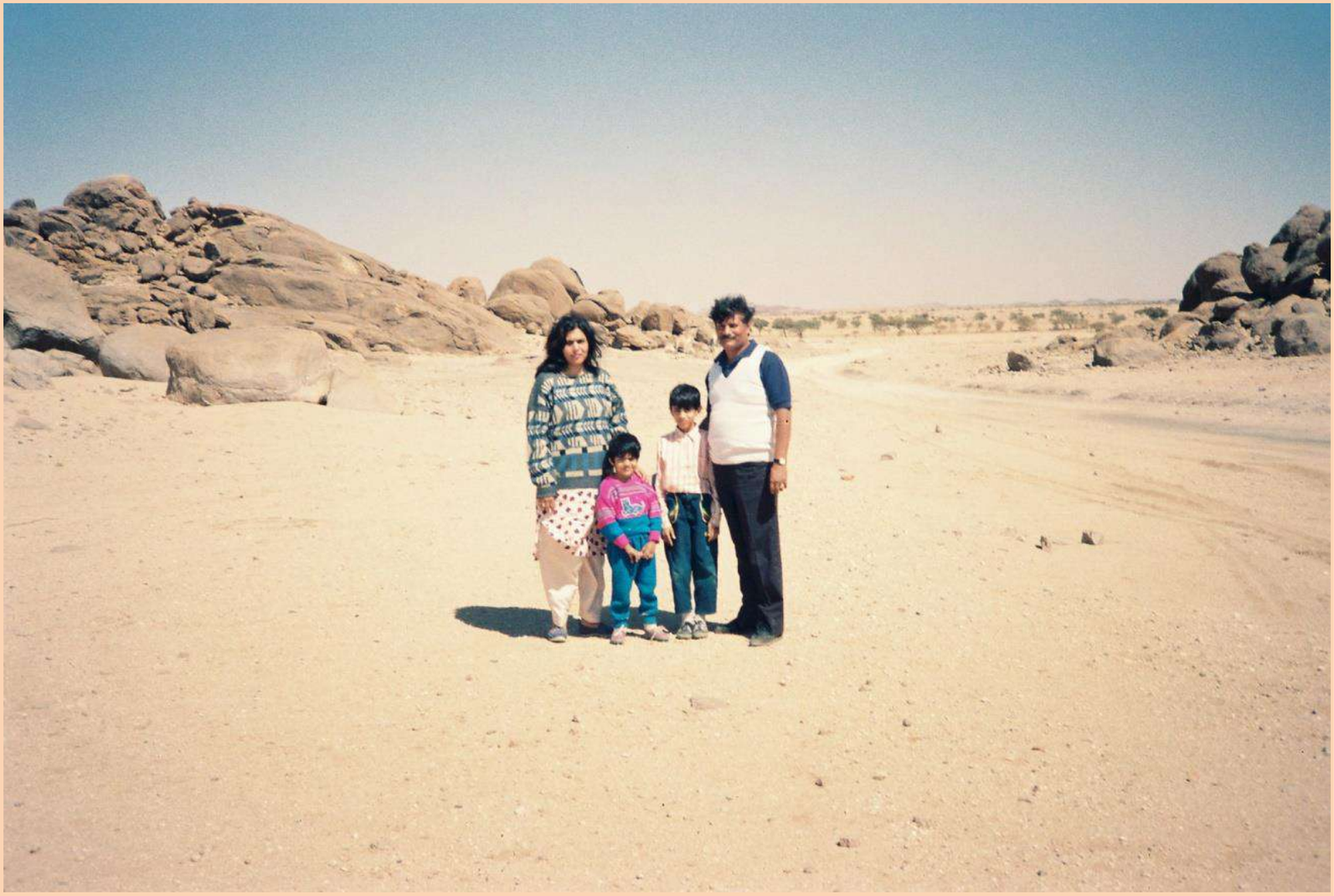


A REST STYLE

GROUP

DESERT HAS ITS OWN CHARM

ENJOYING THE VASTNESS OF DESERT



ANOTHER JOURNEY

PASSING THROUGH A TOWN

PASSING THROUGH A TOWN

ME, MANO AND ZEB

PASSING THROUGH A TOWN

TRAVELS

TO

PYRAMIDS OF MEROË

PYRAMIDS OF MEROË

Pyramids of Meroë are on the East Bank of the River Nile near Kabushiya Station and Shendi Town between Atbara and Khartoum.

While living in Sudan and travelling between Atbara and Khartoum we made it a point to visit these pyramids and enjoyed the stay.

Mr. Hamid was the custodian of the Pyramids who used to live in a makeshift tent like place as his shelter house. He was quite friendly and used to conduct us during our stay there. In a way, it was a picnic point for us and a diversion from the routine life.

13 JULY
1991

On 13 July 1991, I made an exclusive visit to Meroe Pyramids with my family members; Wife, Farzana Ahmad Khan, Son Moeen Ahmad Khan, Daughter Kiran Maqsood, Son Mohsin Ahmad Khan and the youngest son Jehanzeb Ahmad Khan. It was a memorable trip which we still cherish to remember. There we met Hamid Al Mustafa the guide who helped us a lot.

We took some photographs which are placed at the following pages.

PYRAMIDS OF MEROE

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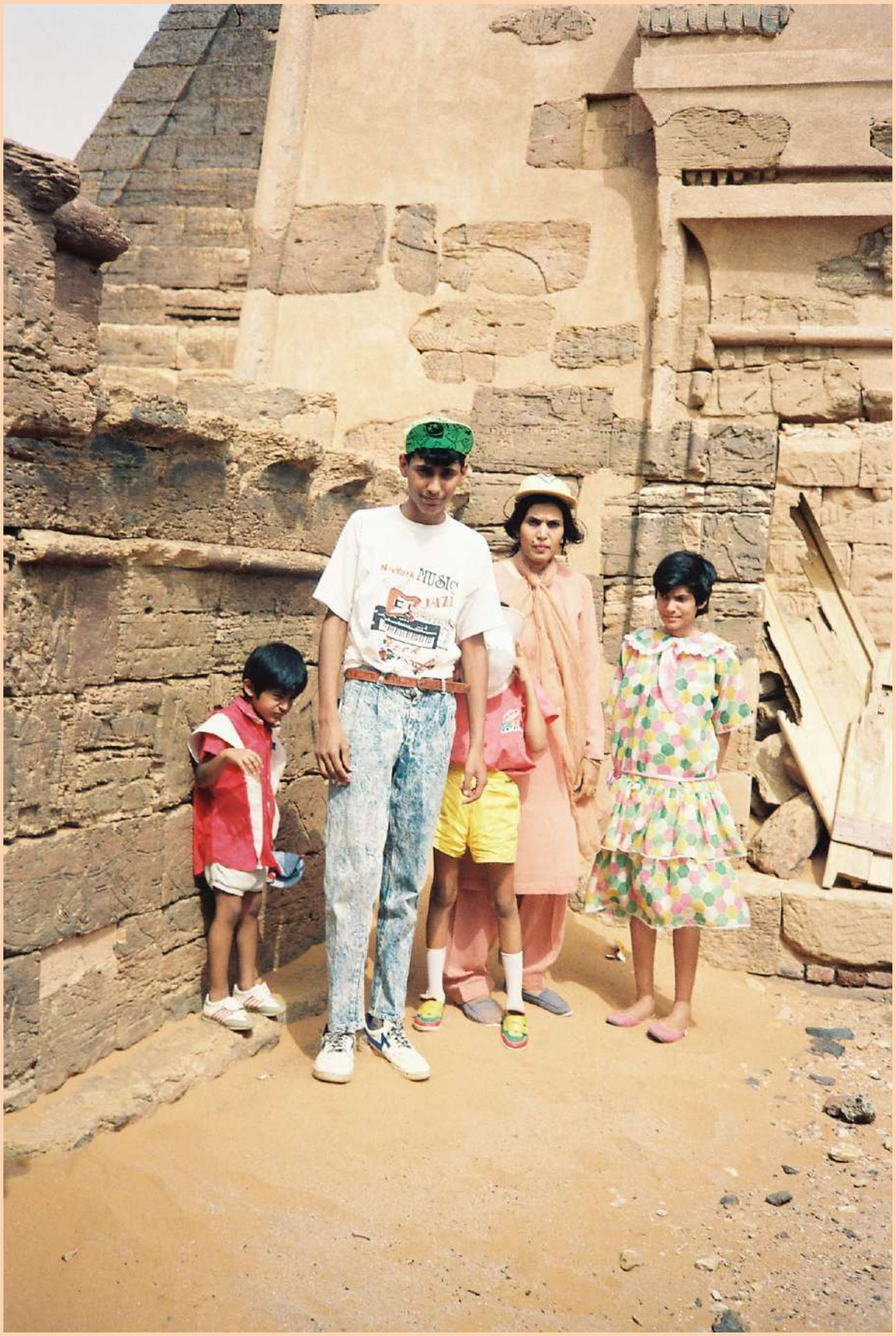
KIRAN – MOEEN – MOHSIN - ZEB

My wife, Farzana Ahmad Khan
With
Hamid Al Mustafa, the Guide of Meroe Pyramids

PYRAMIDS OF MEROE



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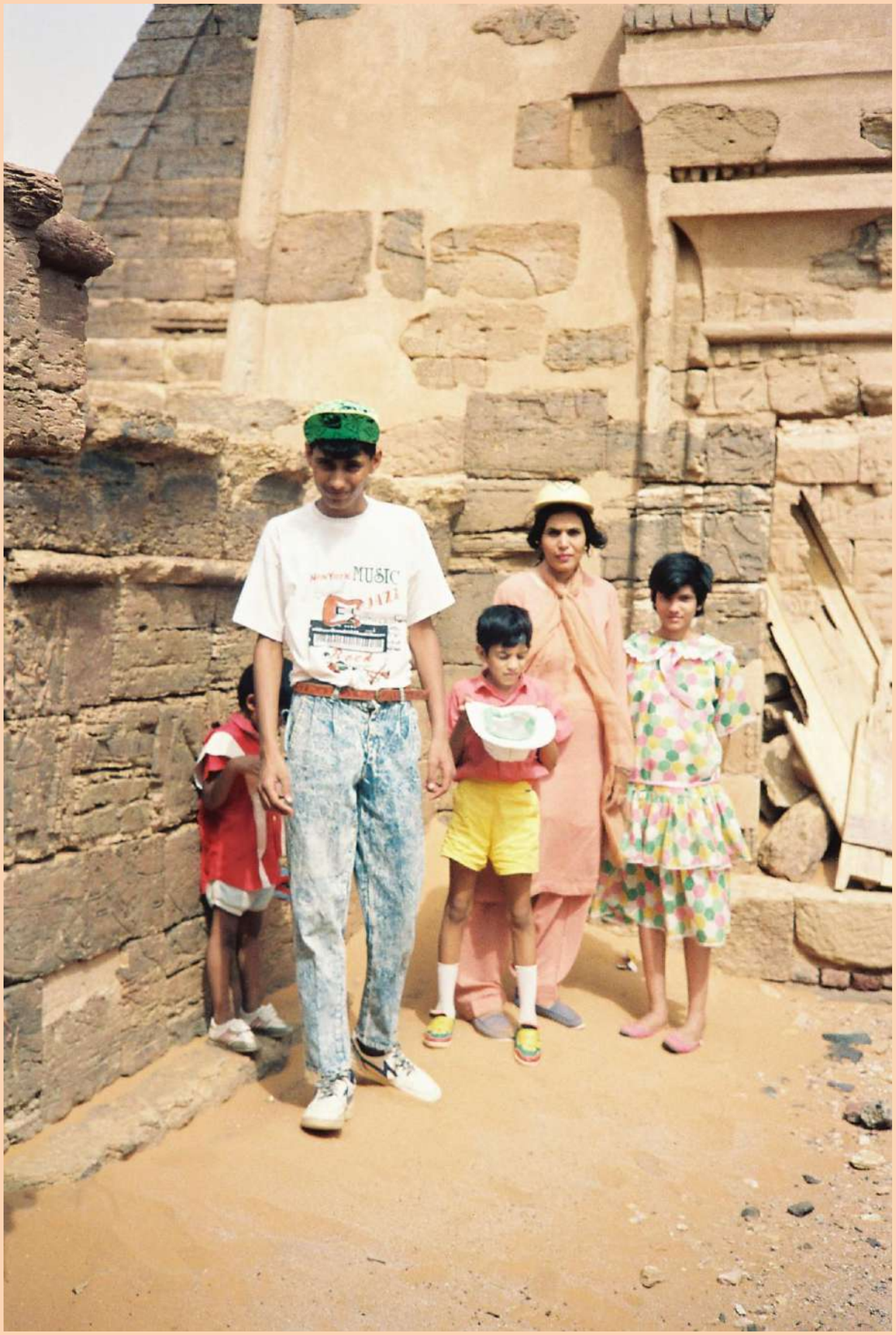


PYRAMIDS OF MEROE

KIRAN – MANO – MOHSIN – MOEEN – KIRAN – HAMID, THE CARETAKER

PYRAMIDS OF MEROE

KIRAN – MOHSIN – ZEB – MOEEN - MANO

PYRAMIDS OF MEROE

MOEEN – ZEB – MANO – KIRAN – MOHSIN – I, PHOTO TAKING

PYRAMIDS OF MEROE

MOEEN – ZEB – MANO – MOHSIN – KIRAN

PYRAMIDS OF MEROE

Moeen and Mohsin

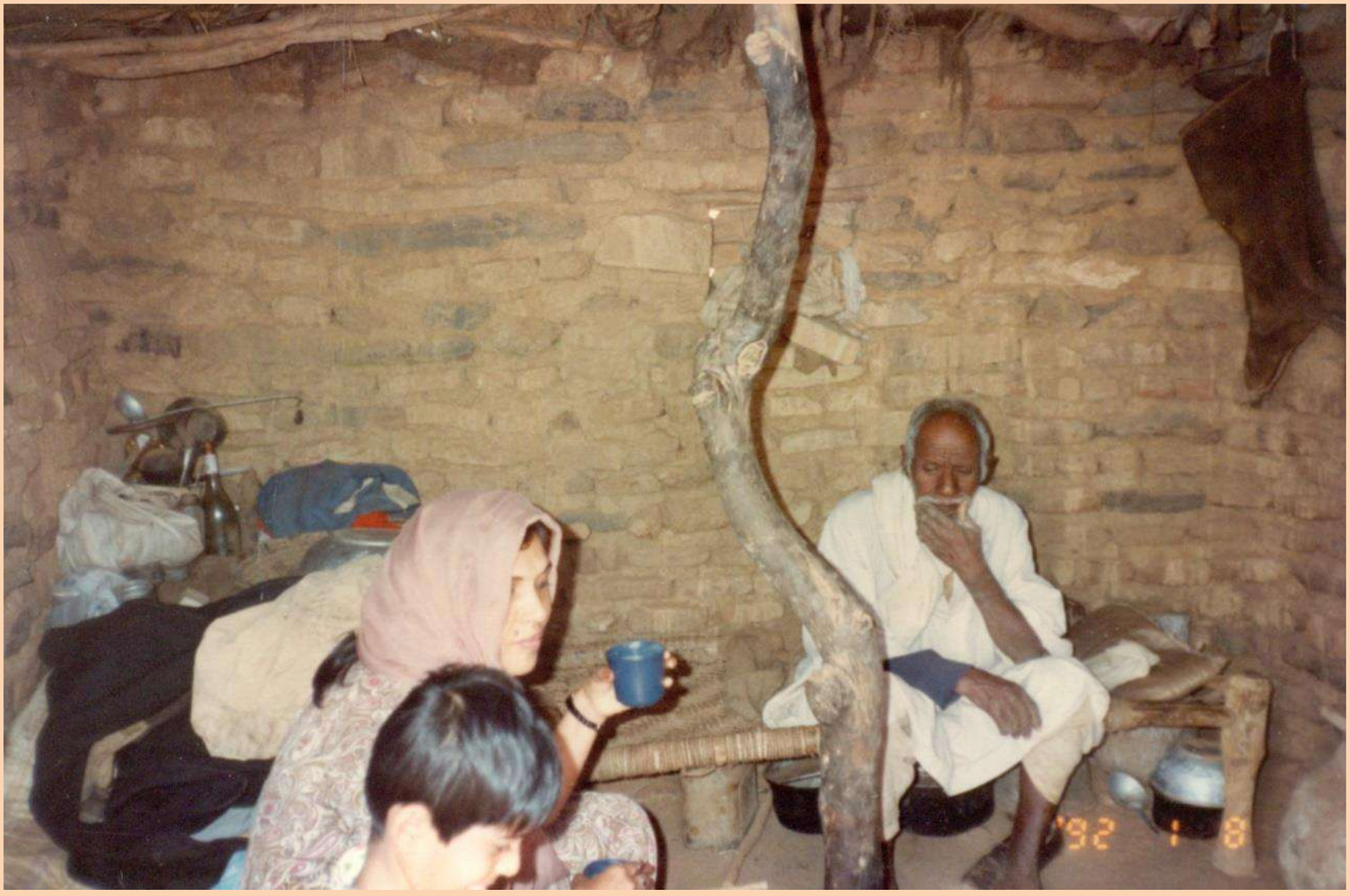
PYRAMIDS OF MEROE

MOHSIN AFTER HIS HAT

8 JANUARY
1992

VISITED MEROE PYRAMIDS WITH MY WIFE FARZANA AHMAD KHAN AND SON JEHANZEB AHMAD KHAN

AT HAMID'S DEN
GUIDE MEROE PYRAMIDS



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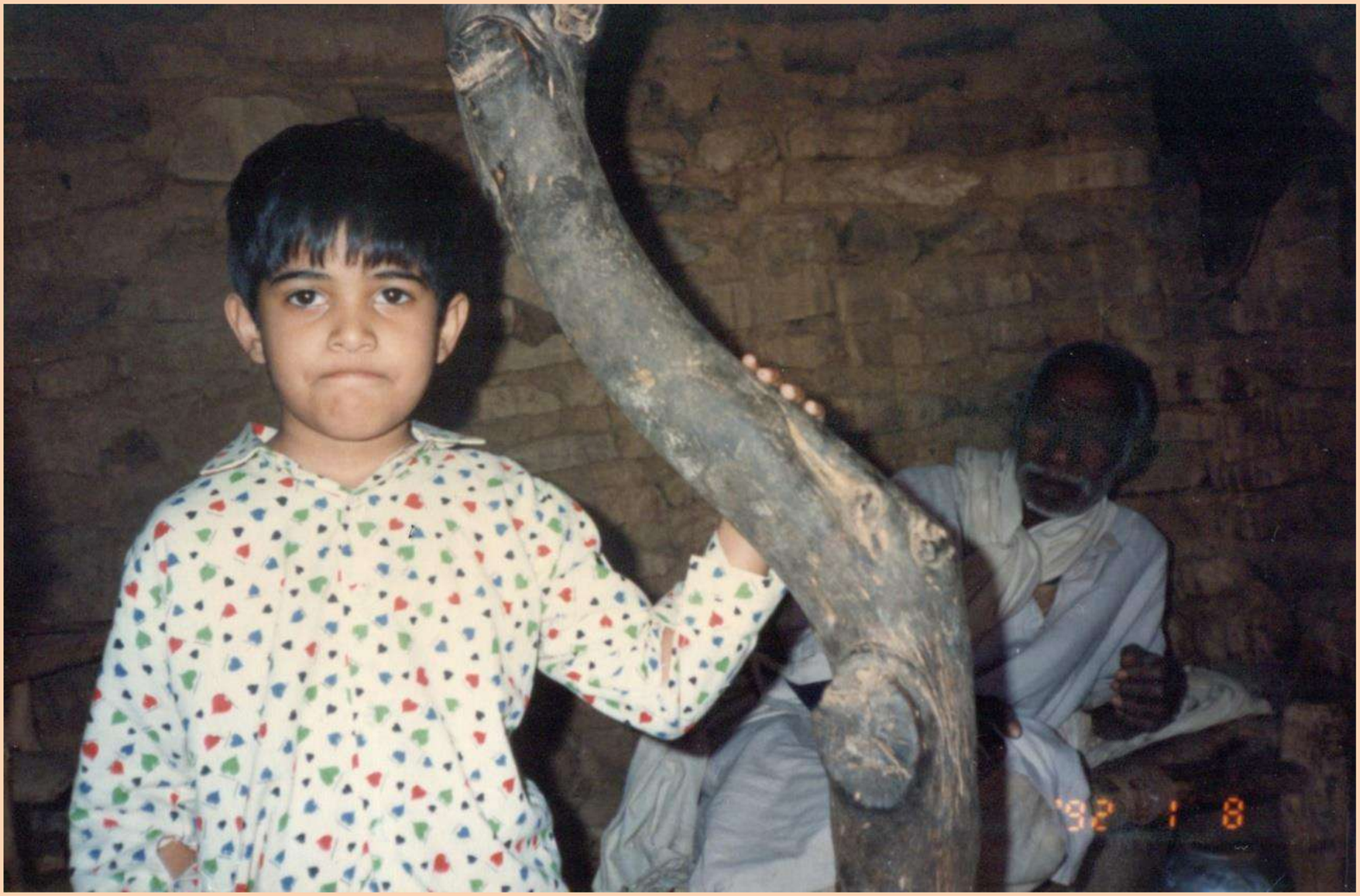
JEHANZEB AHMAD KHAN IN THE HAMID'S DEN



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MEROE PYRAMIDS

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REST PLACE OF HAMID

8 JANUARY
1992

REST PLACE OF HAMID

10 APRIL
1992

MEROE PYRAMIDS

WITH MOEEN AND MR. NAQI

10 APRIL
1992

MYSELF
MAQSOOD AHMAD KHAN

10 APRIL
1992

TOWARDS PYRAMIDS

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TOWARDS PYRAMIDS

MOEEN DRIVING THE CAR

10 APRIL
1992

MURRAY HORN DRIVING BY US AT PYRAMIDS

10 APRIL
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MOEEN DRIVING THE CAR

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MOEEN DRIVING TOWARDS

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1992

MOEEN AHMAD Khan TAKING REST

10 APRIL
1992

MR. NAQI STANDING BY HIS CAR

10 APRIL
1992

SETTLED DOWN AT SITE

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ROYAL CEMETERIES OF MEROE
NORTH AND SOUTH GROUP OF PYRAMIDS
PROTECTED BY ANTIQUE'S SERVICE

10 APRIL
1992

MYSELF, PLAYING AROUND THE PYRAMIDS

10 APRIL
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MOEEN PLAYING AROUND THE PYRAMIDS

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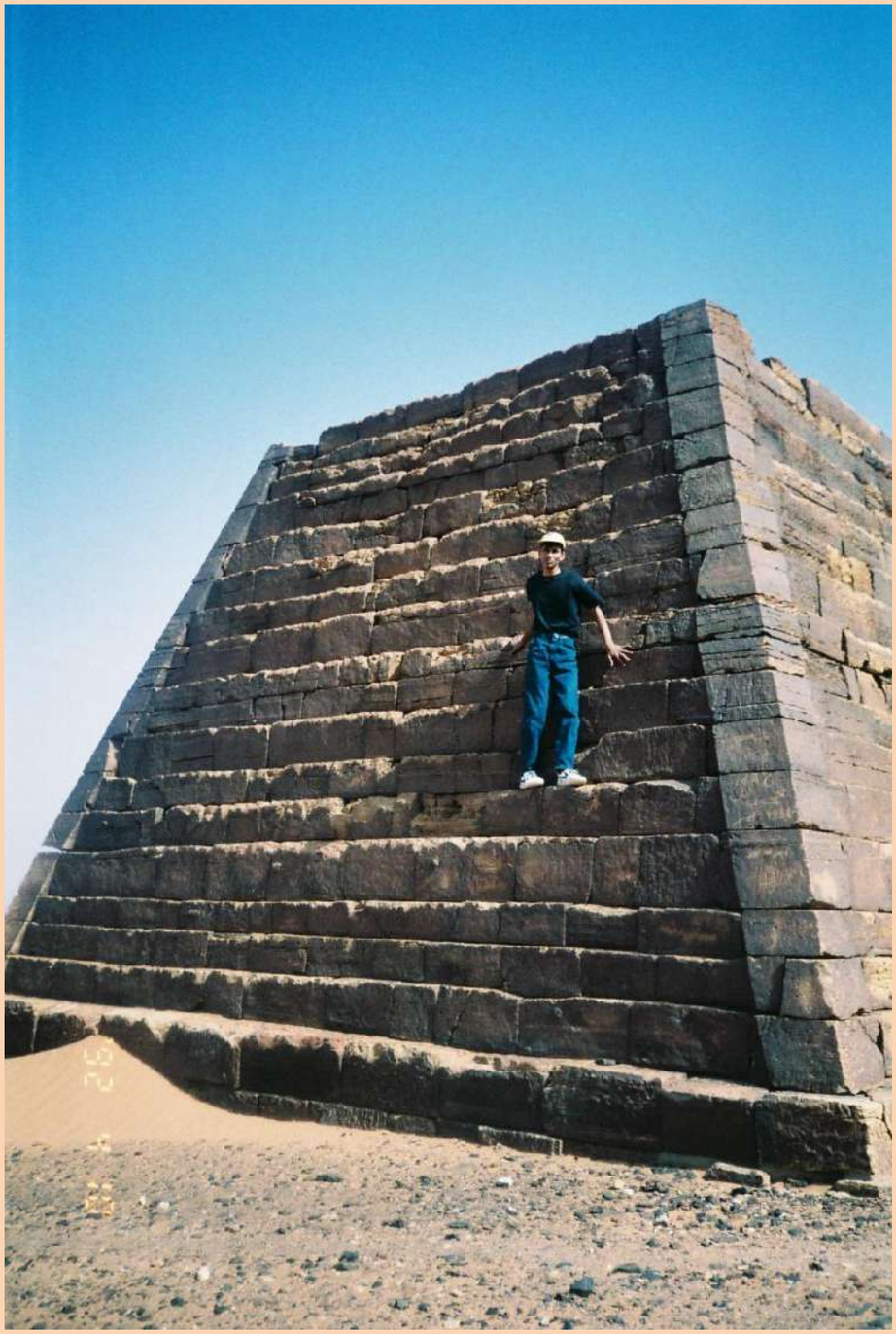

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MOEEN PLAYING AROUND THE PYRAMIDS

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MR NAQI PLAYING AROUND THE PYRAMIDS

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MOEEN PLAYING AROUND THE PYRAMIDS

ATBARA

TO

PORT SUDAN

23 - 29 NOVEMBER
1990

23 to 29 NOVEMBER 1990

ATBARA TO PORT SUDAN

Port Sudan is on the Red Sea, east of Atbara, the Sudan Railways' Headquarter.

After I had joined the Project, Port Sudan was my first official visit.

On 23 November 1990, I left Atbara for Port Sudan by Freight Train at 9:55 AM in the Saloon No 4, in the company of Mr. Hamada Husain, TAT Member and Ahmad Abbas my Sudan Railway Counterpart. A Traffic Inspector also accompanied us

Throughout, on 24th November 1990, we travelled from Atbara to Port Sudan. Since it was a Freight Train therefor on our way we stopped at various stations and took photographs. It was a very good experience. We visited various place and met the people in the markets.

Mr. Abbas co-ordinated for arranging food; lot of salad and meat were the major component, which we enjoyed a lot.

Enjoying the trip, on 25 November we reached Port Sudan at 3 AM.

There at the Port Sudan we visited the Office of Regional Manager, Railway, Mr. Shazli, and discussed various issues concerning the Railway at Port Area. After that, we took a round of the city and stayed in the Palace Hotel Room No 303.

On 26th we visited other Railway Installations; the Control Room, Port Sudan, Locomotive Shed, Station Master's Office, Freight Tanks Terminal, Workshops etc.

On 27th November, it rained in the city and weather became pleasant.

We had discussion with Deputy Regional Manager, Mr. Hisanin and visited Western Reception Yard for Petroleum Products Carrying Freight Trains; with Mr. Hamada of Technical Team and Mr. Ahmad Abbas of SRC, my Counterpart.

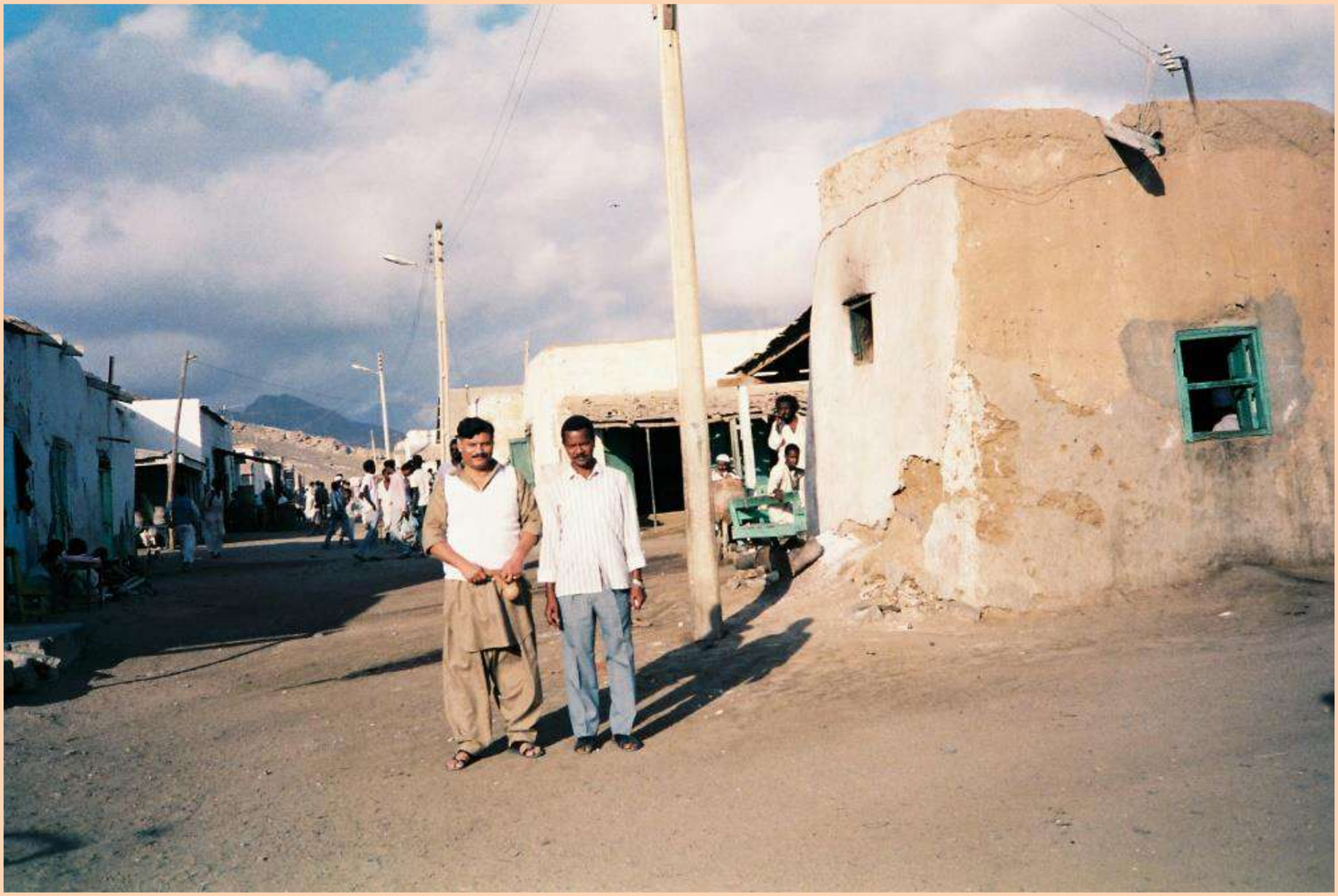
On 28th, it again rained and made the weather pleasant. We visited a number of Railway installations like control office, Madina Yard and Railway Station; visited the office of the Deputy regional Manager Madana, as well.

On 29th we left Port Sudan by train to Atbara at 16:20.

On the pages to follow, I am placing a few photographs taken during this journey.

JOURNEY FROM ATBARA TO PORT SUDAN 1990

MR. ABBAS AND MYSELF IN A VILLAGE AT AN SRC STATION



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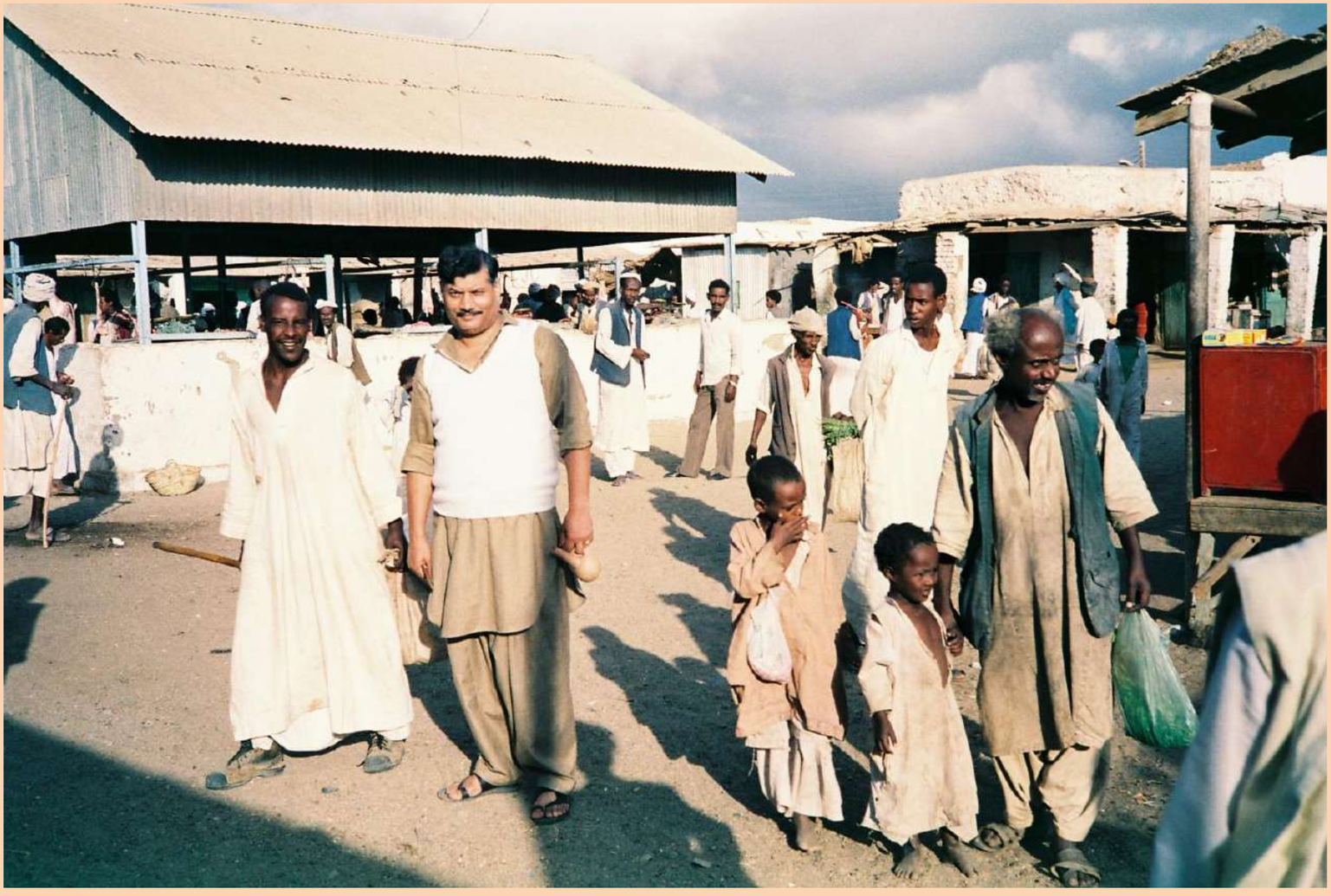

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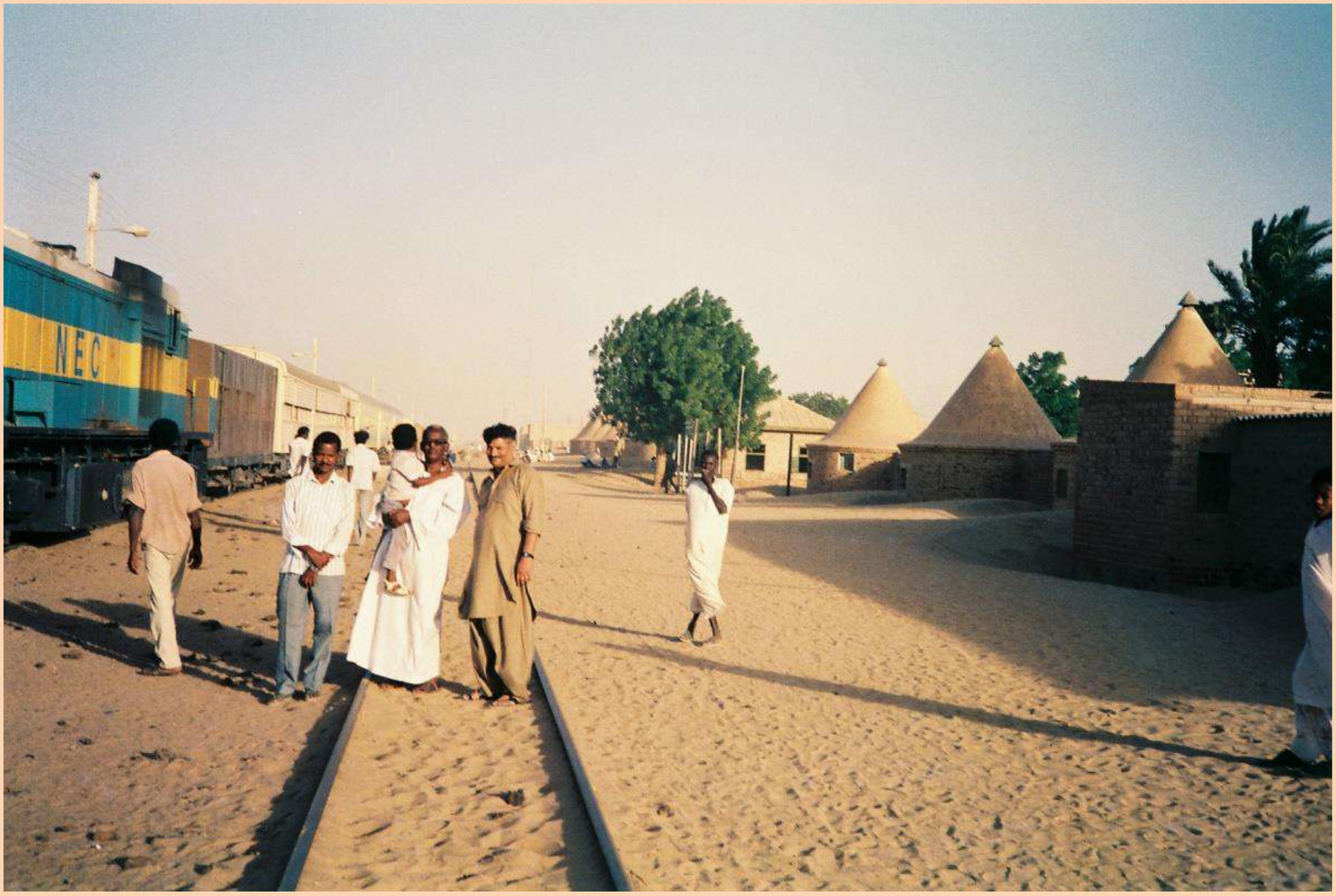

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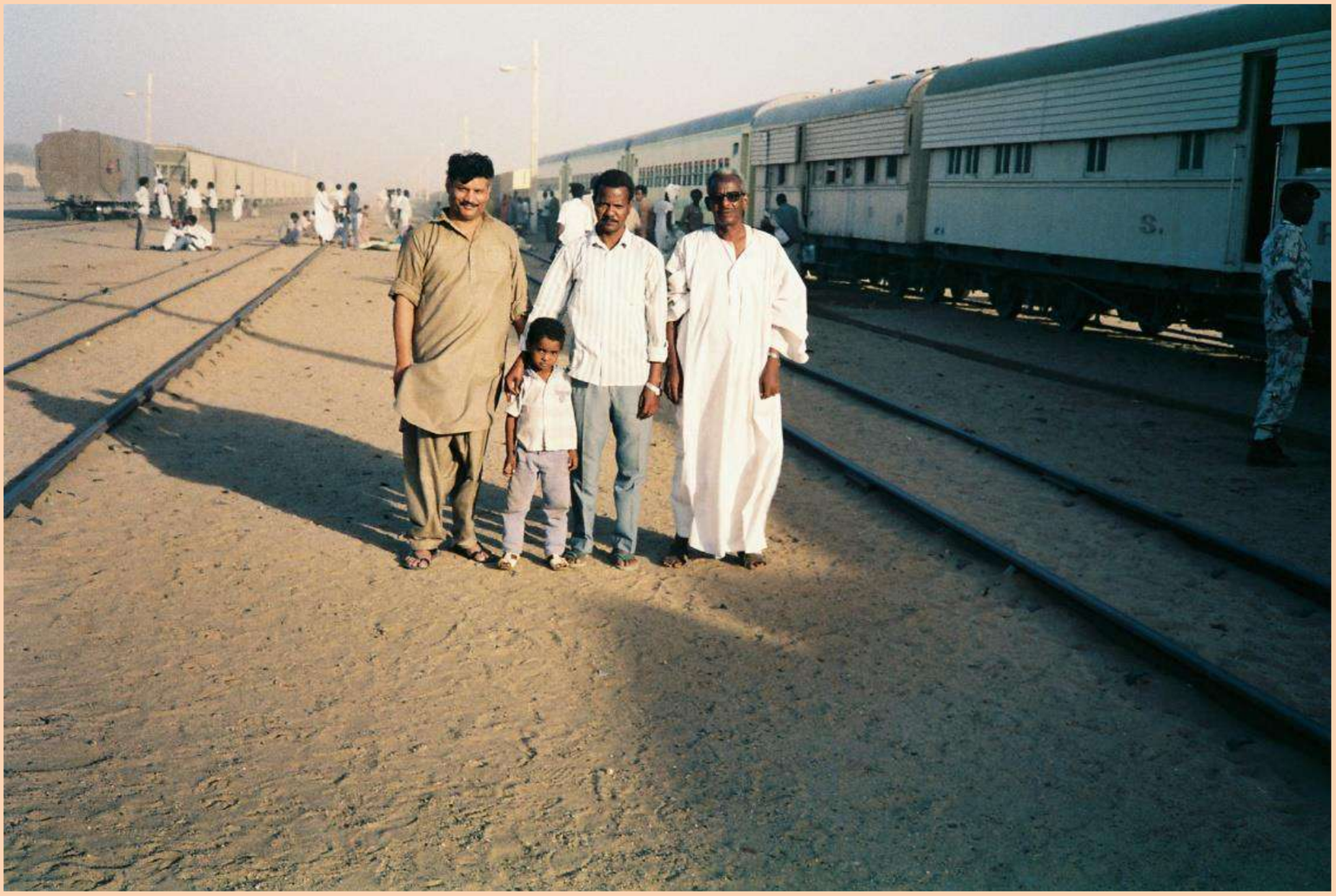

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MR. ABBAS AND MYSELF IN A VILLAGE AT AN SRC STATION

TRAVEL TO PORT SUDAN

FROM

ATBARA

26 FEBRUARY – 3 MARCH

1991

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TRAVEL TO FROM PORT SUDAN

On 26th February we travelled from Atbara to Port Sudan by Pajero through the desert. We left Atbara at 6/- in the early morning and took a brief break en-route and re-started at 7/- again

Reached Port Sudan at 19/- hours in the evening and stayed in the Palace Hotel.

The journey was quite different and good. We drove from Atbara to Haya Railway Station through the desert and from Haya to Port Sudan through the AQBA PASS (Mountainous Area)

On 27th February we spent the day at Port Sudan. The weather was cloudy and very nice. We were staying in the Palace Hotel. The hotel was one of the best in the city.

I visited Sudan Railways Regional Office and met Fateh Abbass, Mustafa and Hasan there. I also had a visit of the Railway Control Office

I also visited the Police Station for Registration

On 28th February we again visited SRC Offices, and the Police Station

Visit to Suaken

During our stay at the Port Sudan, we made a programme to visit an old port, Swaken or Suaken, about 60 Kilometres from Port Sudan towards South on the Red Sea.

So on 1st March, we visited the place; and an account of the visit thereof is placed on the following pages.

2nd March, we spent the day at Port Sudan

Departure from the Port Sudan

On 3rd March, We left Port Sudan for Atbara. Left at 5/30 AM and reached Atbara at 16/- hours same day. It was a winding way through mountains and the desert.

We were left with not much gasoline and hardly managed to reach Atbara.

The pictures taken during the trip have placed at the following pages

DRIVING THROUGH THE AQBA PASS

MOUNTAIN VALLEY

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MOUNTAIN VALLEY

DRIVING THROUGH THE DESERT

RELAXING

DRIVING THROUGH THE DESERT

RELAXING

ATBARA

TO

PORT SUDAN

30 JULY – 3 AUGUST

1991

30th July 1991

Left Atbara at 4/- AM by road and reached Port Sudan at 17/- hrs in the evening evening

Looked for a hotel but could not find one. At Last settled in the Red Sea Hotel. The Hotel was an old of old timer.

31st July 1991

Visited SRC Regional Office at Port Sudan and had meeting with concerned officers.

The format for supervision of movement of goods under World Food Programme was also discussed with the officers there.

3rd August 1991

Port Sudan to Atbara

There used to be curfew in the town after 00/00 hours at night, so we could not leave early in the morning

Our Plan was to leave Port Sudan before curfew and be out of the town and reach Haya early before dawn. Take some rest and nap and enter the desert just before sunrise and reach Atbara before sunset.

So we left the town at 23/30 at night and passing through Aqaba Pass at dark night reached Haya at 3/30 AM

Took some rest and had nap and left the place at 5/30 in the morning and reached Atbara at 15/- hours travelling all through the desert.

During this trip took some pictures which are place on the following pages.

VIEW FROM RED HOTEL

SUAKIN PORT

SUDAN

FIRST MARCH 1991

1st March 1991
SUAKIN PORT

VISIT TO SUAKIN PORT

We were on a visit of Port Sudan.

We had heard a lot about the old port of Suakin, So on 31st March 1991 we made an exclusive tour of this port. Mr. Hamada, our colleague, who happened to be at Port Sudan also, accompanied us to Port Suakin which is about 60 kilometres from Port Sudan towards South to Haya Railway Station on the Red Sea.

When we actually visited the area we saw that it had turned into ruins and was deserted.

We took some photographs which are available on the following pages.

1st March 1991
SUAKIN PORT

1st March 1991
SUAKIN PORT

1st March 1991
SUAKIN PORT

MOHSIN AHMAD KHAN AND ZEB AHMAD KHAN
IN THE AREA OF SUAKIN PORT

1st March 1991

FARZANA, WIFE, ZEB, SON, KIRAN, DAUGHTER MOHSIN SON AND MOEEN KHAN SON ON THE BANK OF RED SEA IN THE SUAKIN PORT AREA – RUINS ARE QUITE VISIBLE

1st March 1991

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1st March 1991

MYSELF, FARZANA, WIFE, ZEB, SON, KIRAN, DAUGHTER MOHSIN SON AND MOEEN KHAN SON ON THE BANK OF RED SEA IN THE SUAKIN PORT AREA – RUINS ARE QUITE VISIBLE

1st March 1991

FARZANA, WIFE, ZEB, SON, KIRAN, DAUGHTER MOHSIN SON AND MOEEN KHAN SON ON THE BANK OF RED SEA IN THE SUAKIN PORT AREA – RUINS ARE QUITE VISIBLE MR. HAMADA IN THE FOREFRONT

1st March 1991

A VAST VIEW

1st March 1991

CAMPING

1st March 1991

MOEEN KHAN ENJOYING THE VASTNESS OF THE AREA

1st March 1991

MOEEN KHAN OFFERING EGG TO MR. HAMADA

1st March 1991

FARZANA RELAXING AMONGST THE RUINS OF SUAKIN ON THE BANK OF READ SEA

1st March 1991

ZEB HAS SPOTTED SOMETHING VERY IMPORTANT

KIRAN IN THE BACKGROUND

1st March 1991

MOEEN LOOKING FRO SOMETHING CONSPICUOUS

KIRAN AND MOHSIN BUSY TOO

1st March 1991

MOEEN AND HAMADA HAVE FOUND SOMETHING IMPORTANT

1st March 1991

RELAXING

1st March 1991

KIRAN AND ZEB WANDERING AROUND IN THE RUINS

1st March 1991

MOEEN HAS FOUND SOMETHING

1st March 1991

MOEEN GAZING AT KIRAN AND MOHSIN

1st March 1991

MOEEN GAZING AT KIRAN AND MOHSIN

1st March 1991

MANO RELAXING

1st March 1991

HI ! MANO

AR KAWEIT

SUDAN

AR KAWEIT
SUDAN

The Ar Kaweit Mountains are along the Red Sea, South of Suakin and Port Sudan.

One day while passing by the road to Ar Kawit, we turned towards the Red Sea, the Mountainous Area of Ar Kaweit from Sinkat.

We travelled for a quite long distance but it was all deserted area, therefore from a certain point we returned back and could not see the green mountains. However we could take some photographs which are placed at the following pages.

AR KAWEIT
SUDAN

MOHSIN, MOEEN, MOM, MYSELF, ZEB KIRAN TAKING PHOTOGRAPH - ON WAY TO AR KAWEIT

AR KAWEIT
SUDAN

AT A WAY-SIDE REST PLACE

AR KAWEIT
SUDAN

AT A WAY-SIDE REST PLACE

AR KAWEIT
SUDAN
MOEEN KHAN UNDER A CACTUS TREE

AR KAWEIT
SUDAN

ON OUR WAY A CACTUS TREE

AR KAWEIT
SUDAN

A WAY-SIDE SCENE

RANDOM PICTURES

1-6-1993
PASSING BY A RAILWAY STATION

2-6-1993
DRIVING BY THE NILE

KOSTI

SUDAN

JANUARY 1992

KOSTI REGION
SUDAN

Kosti (كوستي) is one of the major cities in Sudan and stands on the Western Bank of the White Nile, River opposite Rabak.

The capital of the White Nile state

During the course of duty to visit Kosti Region of Sudan Railways in the South, I with my wife and son, Jehanzeb went there by road. There I did my official jobs and met the officers of the railways including the Regional Manager; and discussed the issues concerning the region.

Logistic and stay were ok which we managed amicably and enjoyed our stay as an adventure.

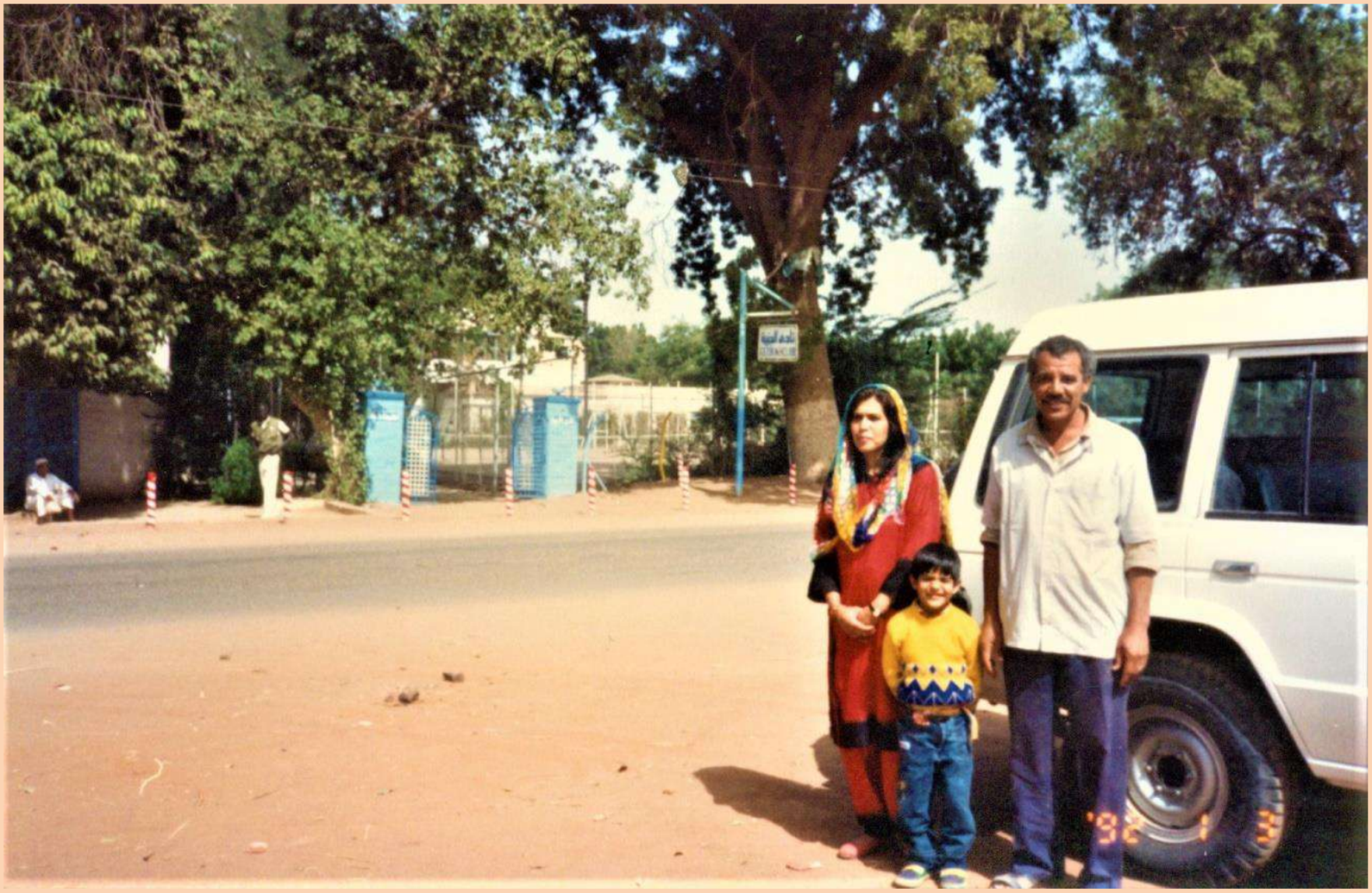
On our way-back the Kosti's Regional Manager of Sudan Railways accompanied us upto Khartoum. We enjoyed the journey both ways very much.

A few photographs taken are placed at the following pages.

AT KOSTI - WHITE NILE IS SEEN

KOSTI – SUDAN
JANUARY 1992

AT KOSTI WITH ONE OF THE STAFF MEMBERS



ONE OF THE STAFF MEMBERS WHO SERVED US THERE

KOSTI – SUDAN
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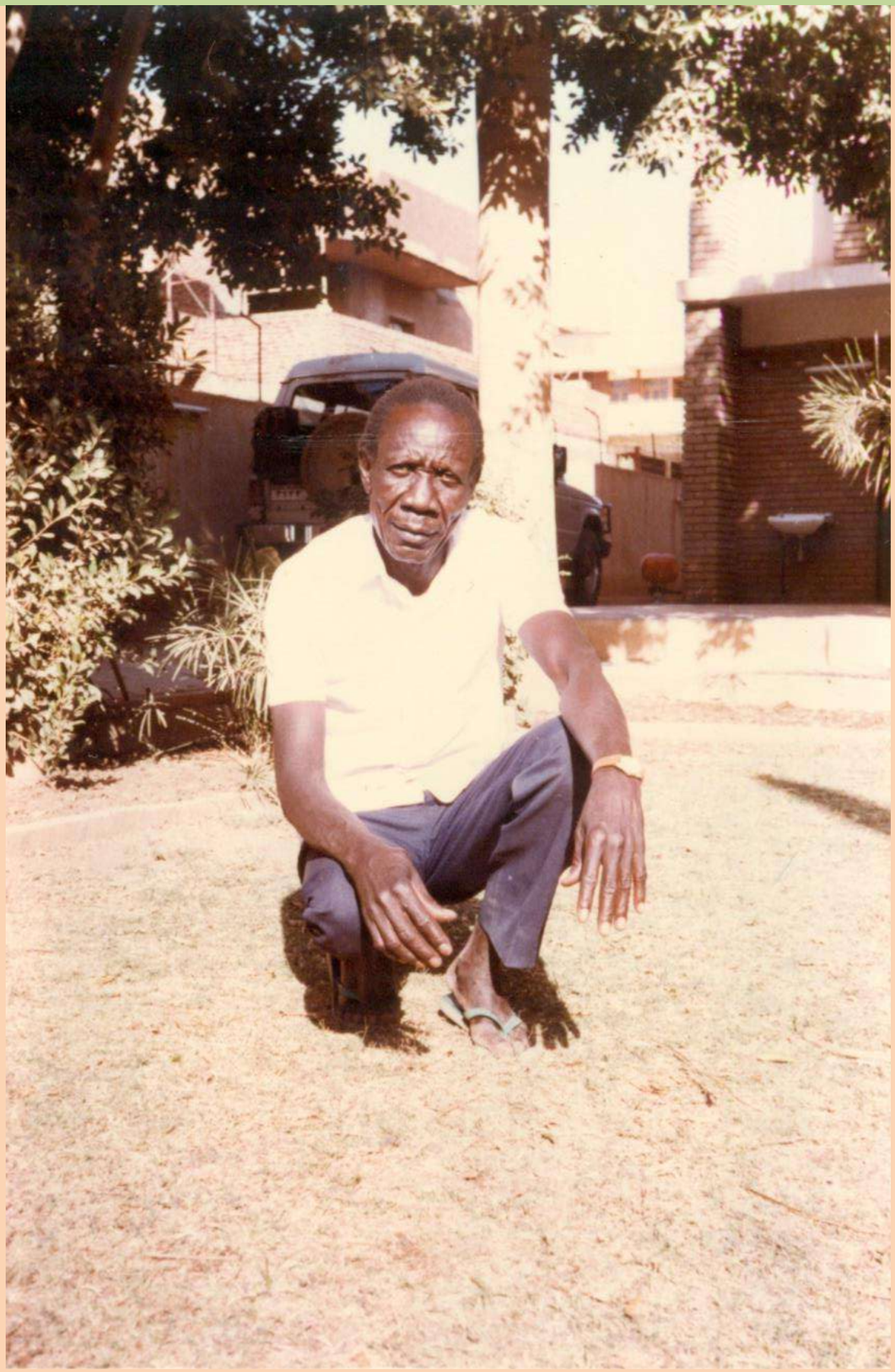

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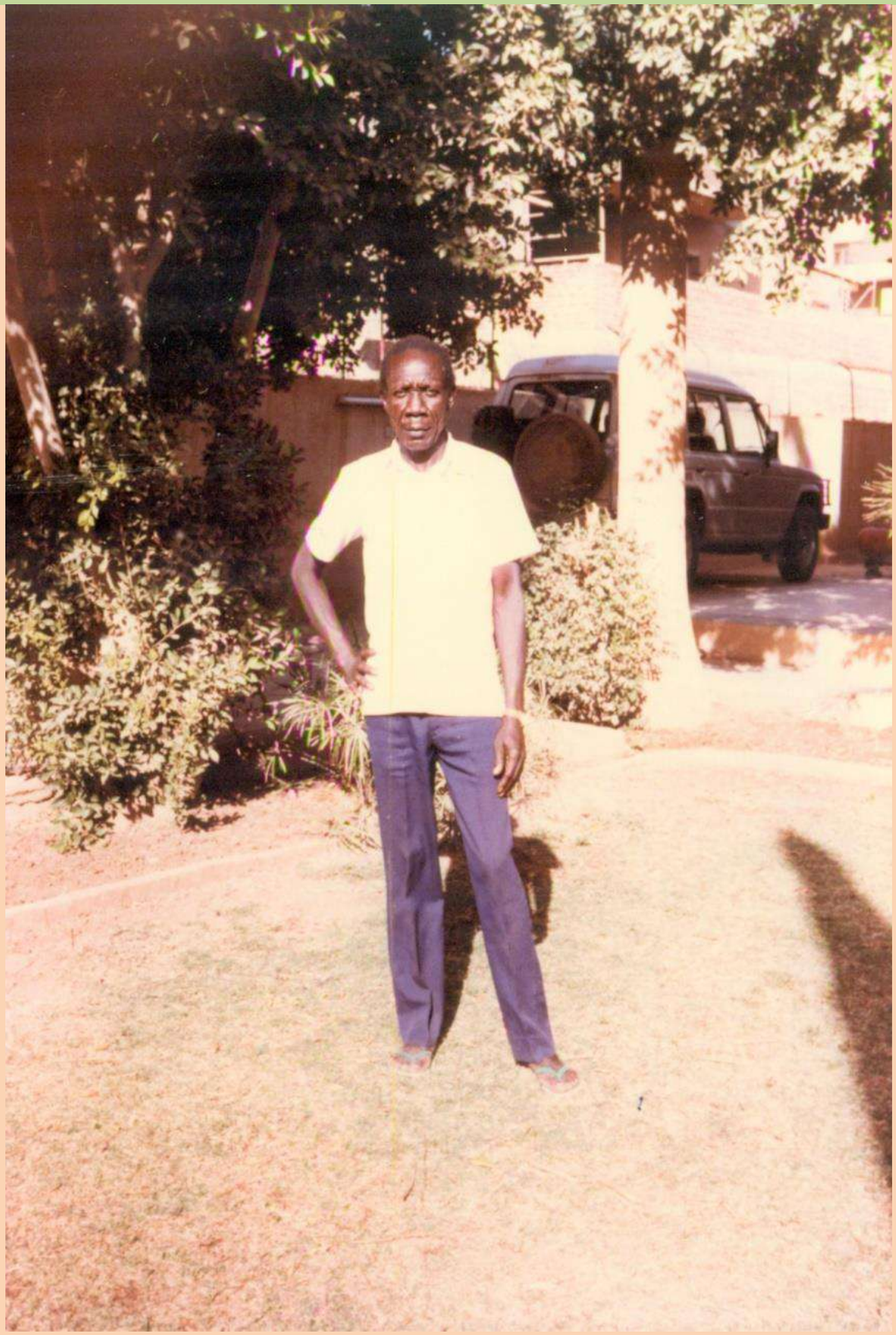

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READY TO LEAVE FROM KOSTI

KOSTI – SUDAN
JANUARY 1992

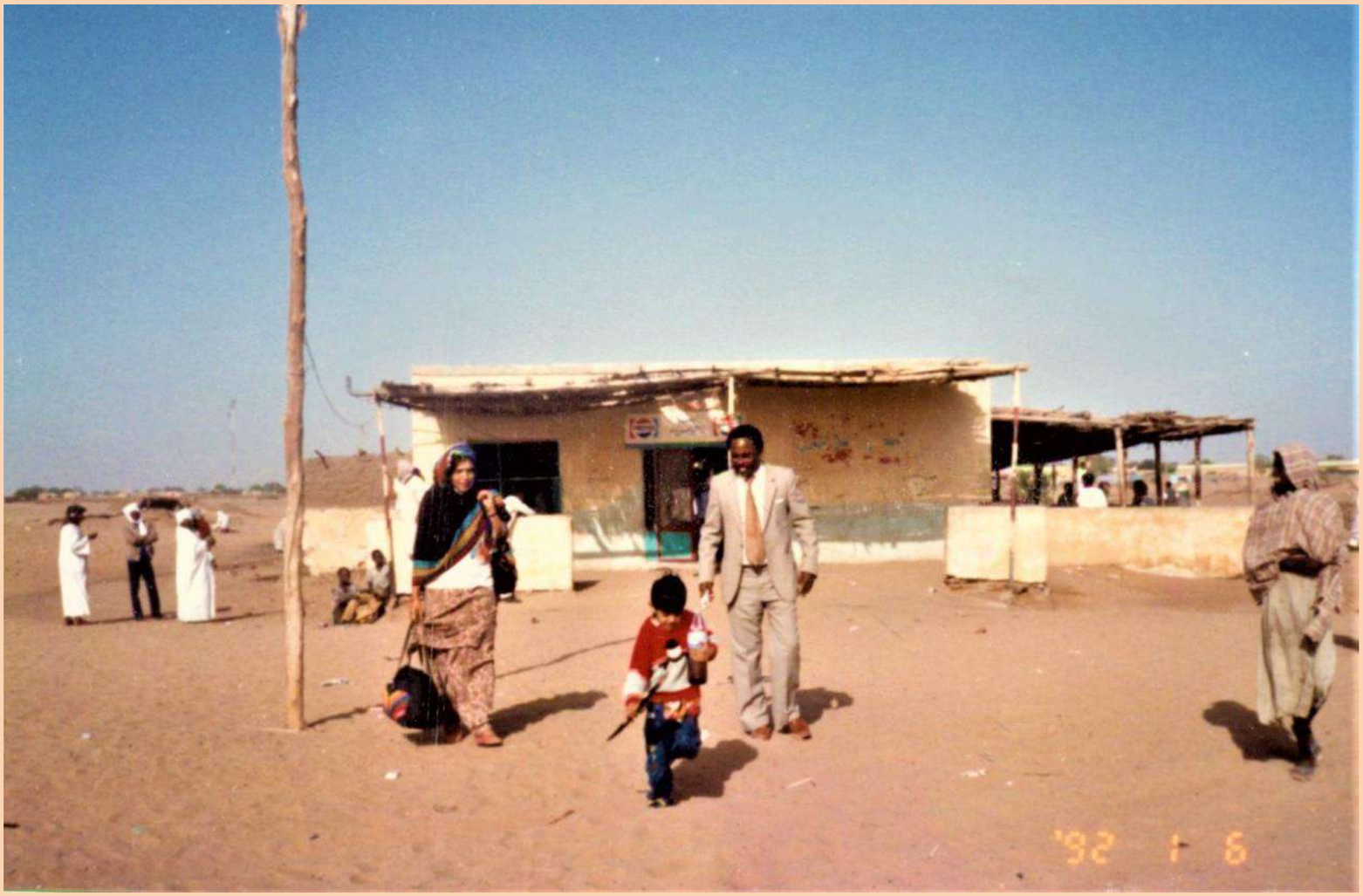
JOURNEY COMMENCED

KOSTI – SUDAN
JANUARY 1992

ON THE ROAD ALONG THE WHITE NILE

KOSTI – SUDAN
JANUARY 1992

REST PLACE ALONG THE ROADSIDE



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REST PLACE ALONG THE ROADSIDE

KOSTI – SUDAN
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MAQSOOD WITH REGIONAL MANAGER KOSTI

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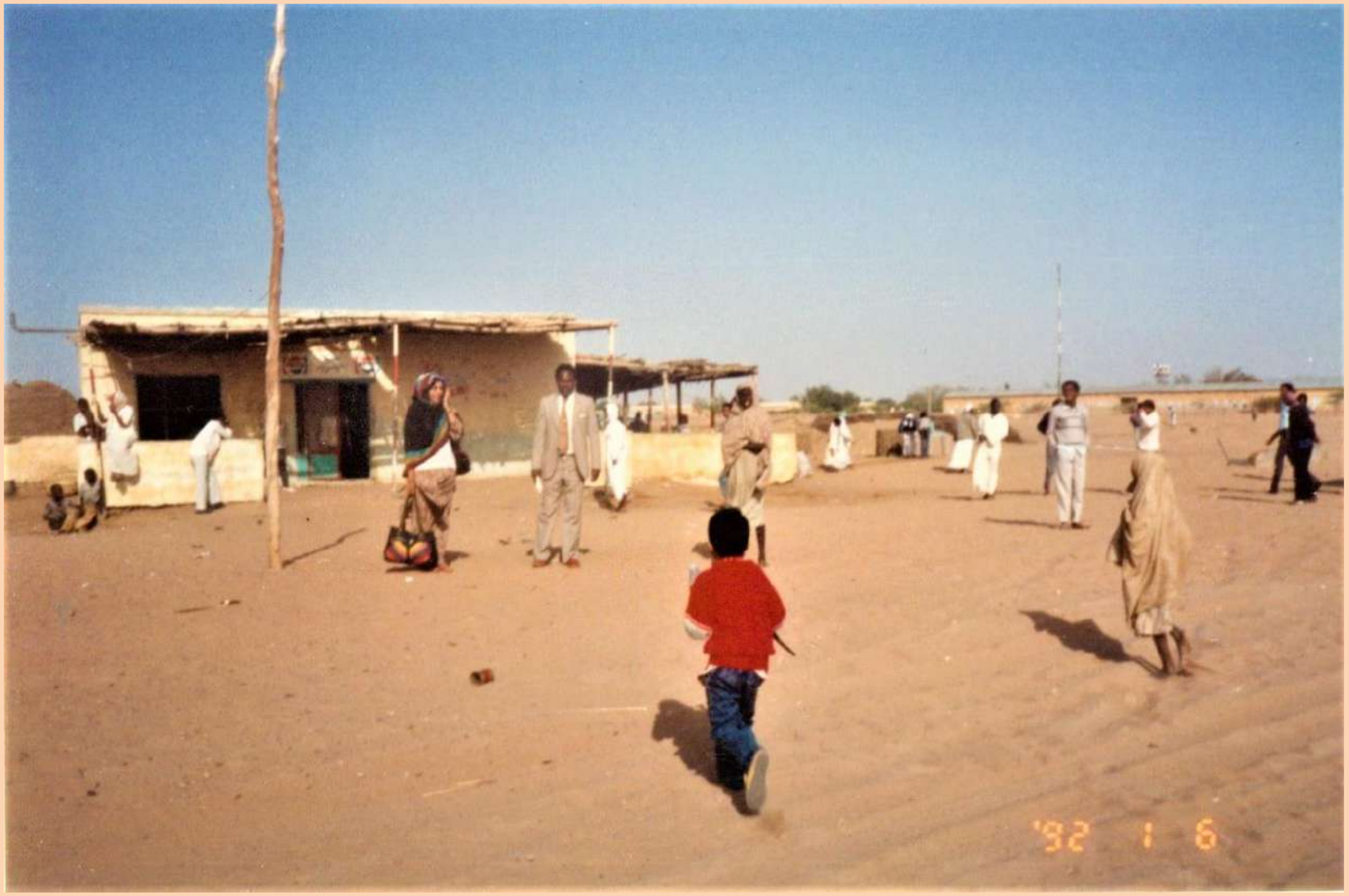
ZEB RUNNING TOWARDS RESTAURANT



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FARZANA RELAXING ON THE BANK OF WHITE NILE

KOSTI – SUDAN
JANUARY 1992

TRUCK STOPPED AT HE ROAD FOR REST

KOSTI – SUDAN
JANUARY 1992

FARZANA COMING OUT OF THE TRUCK

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FARZANA OUT OF THE TRUCK WANDERING AROUND

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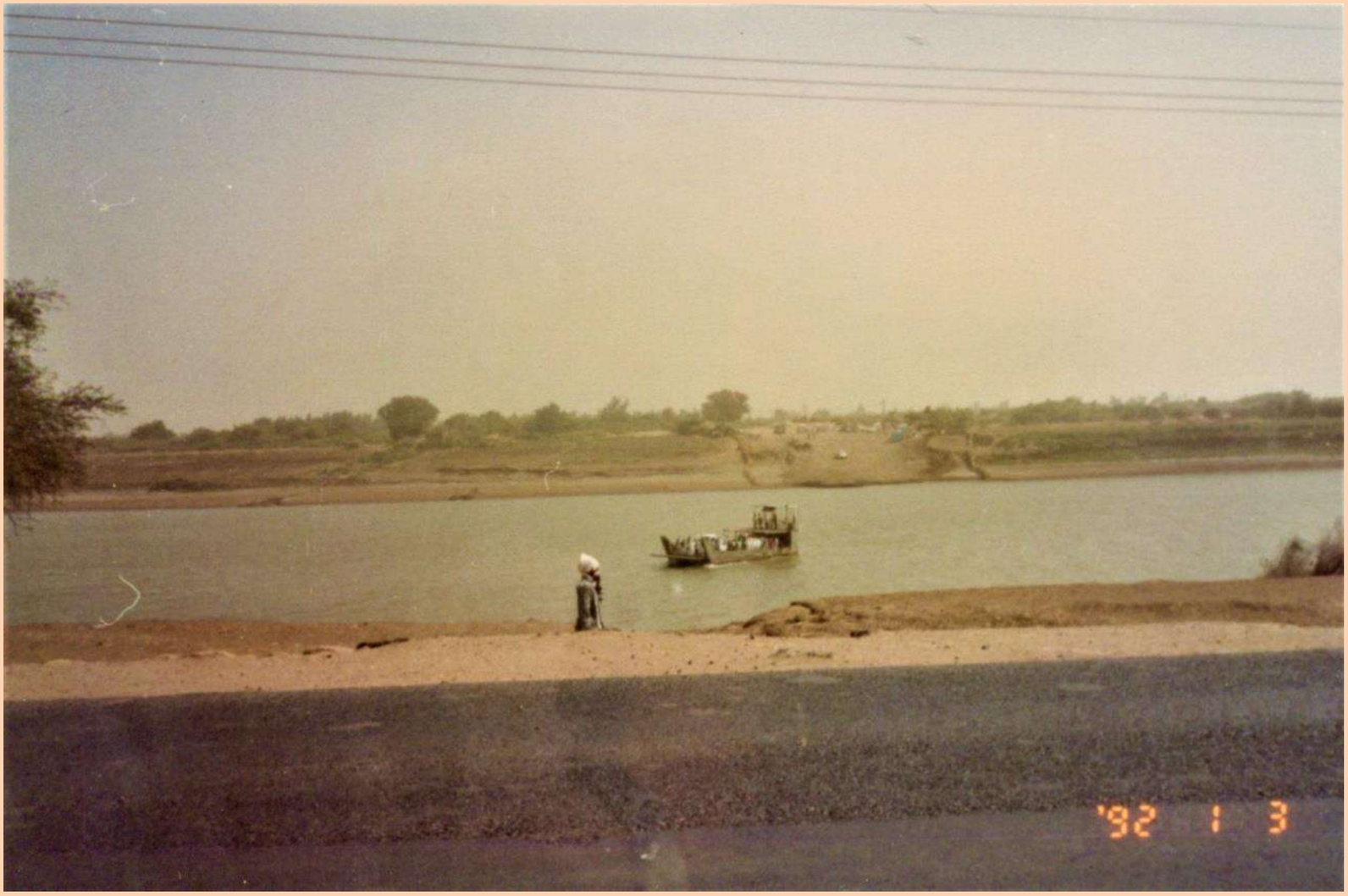
WHITE NILE



KOSTI – SUDAN
JANUARY 1992

HIGHWAY

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KASSALA
SUDAN

AUGUST 1992

KASSALA – SUDAN
AUGUST 1992

Kassala is a town in the Eastern Sudan on the Gash River. Kassala is big market place/ Trade Centre.

During August 1992 we had a trip of Kassala. We travelled day and night between Khartoum and Kassala. On our way passed through Madani, stayed for a night at Qadaref in Amir Hotel; from where we continued our journey to Kassala.

When we were in Kassala the city was full of people, the most being the buyers from out of the city. The marketing and trading activities were at their full swing.

One time Kassala was also a Railway Facilities Hub. During our visit we also visited the Railway Officials Colony and enjoyed their company.

A newly built Highway, from Khartoum to Port Sudan also passed through Kassala, which made this town further important.

We also visited an area in the city, exclusively inhabited by the Hindu Community.

QADARIF – SUDAN

OVERNIGHT STAY AT AMIR HOTEL HOTEL

On our way to Kassala we stayed for overnight in the Amir Hotel of Qadaref Town and enjoyed it as an adventure

AMIR HOTEL - QADARIF

AMIR HOTEL QEDARIF

TOWARDS KASSALA

KASSALA – SUDAN
AUGUST 1992

DRIVING THROUGH TO KASSALA

KASSALA – SUDAN
AUGUST 1992

DRIVING THROUGH TO KASSALA

KASSALA – SUDAN
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DRIVING THROUGH TO KASSALA

KASSALA – SUDAN
AUGUST 1992

A VIEW WHILE DRIVING

KASSALA – SUDAN
AUGUST 1992

DRIVING THROUGH TO KASSALA

LUNCH IN A HOTEL

KASSALA

KASSALA – SUDAN
AUGUST 1992

LUNCH AT KASSALA

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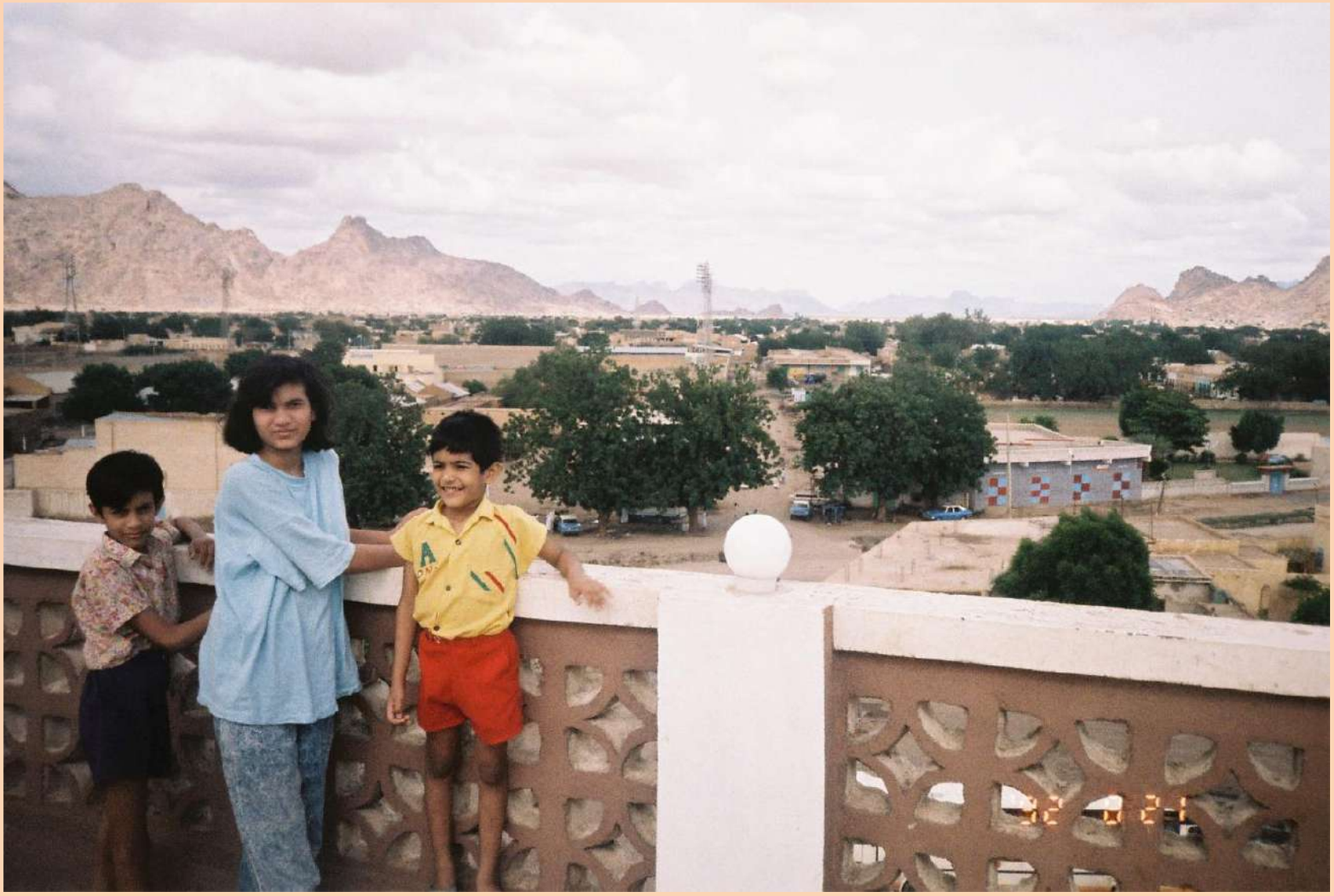
ON THE ROOF OF THE HOTEL

VIEW OF KASSALA MOUNTAINS



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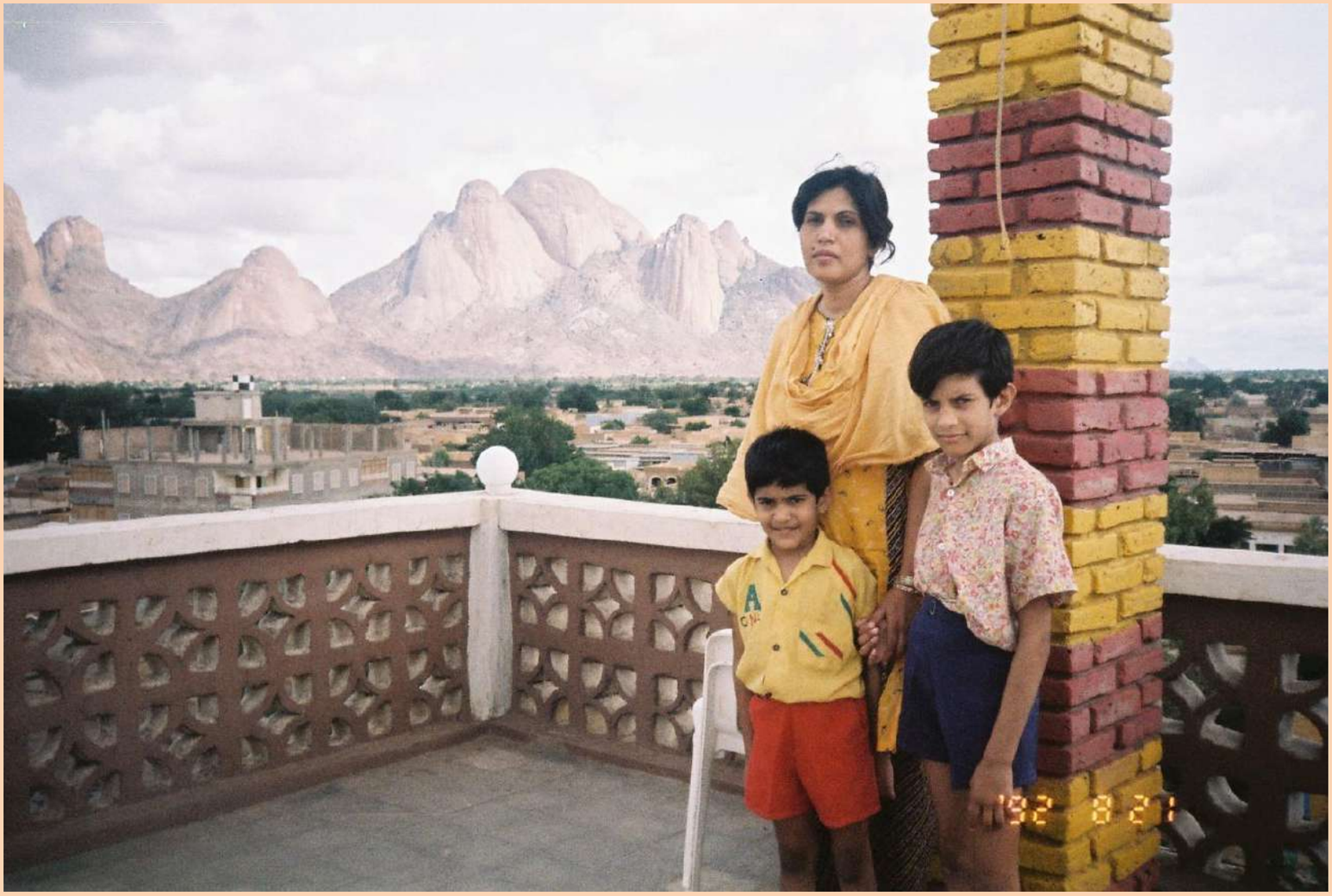

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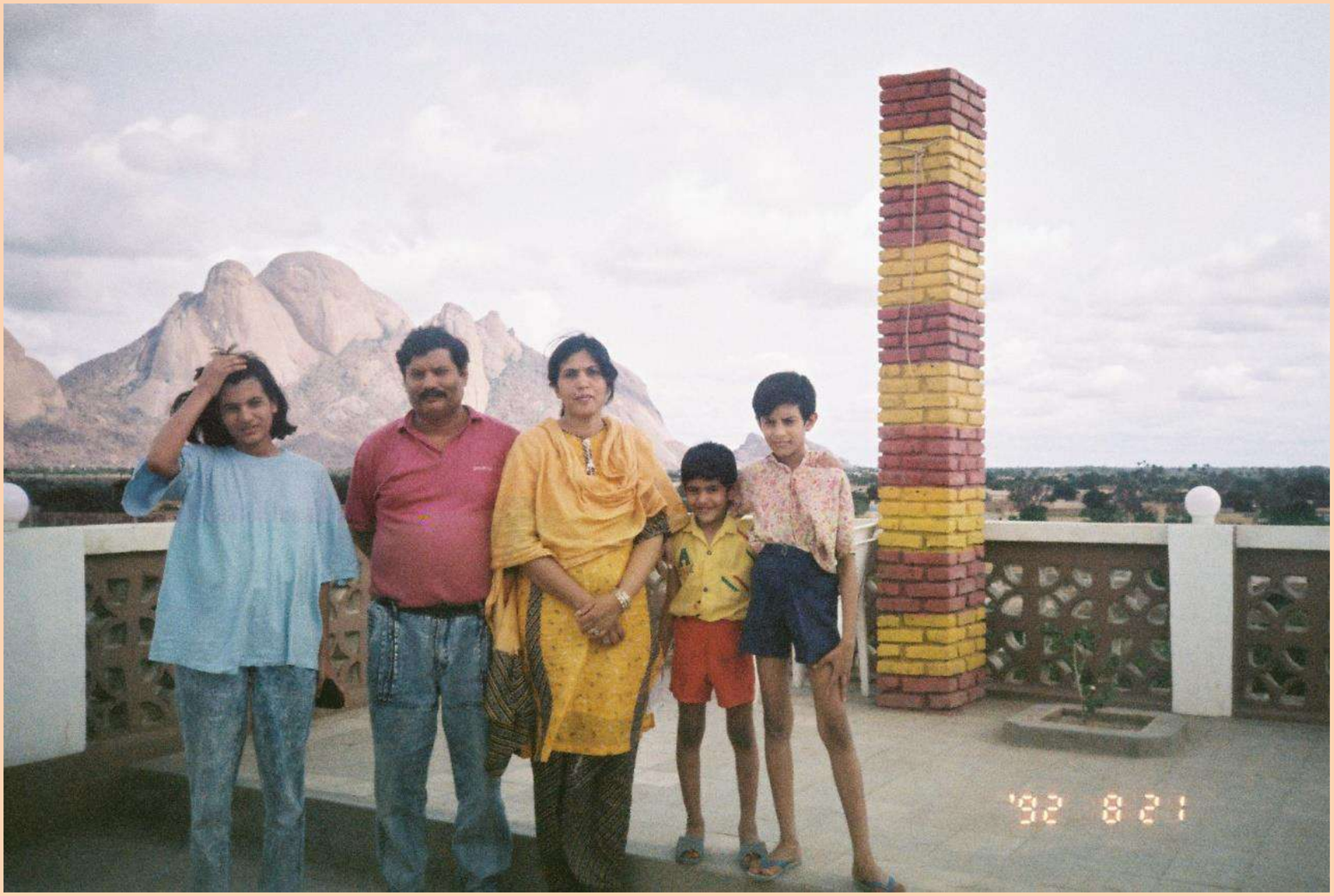

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AUGUST 1992

IN THE HOTEL

KASSALA – SUDAN
AUGUST 1992

TAKA MOUNTAINS
IN
KASSALA

KASSALA MOUNTAINS

There is a range of mountains in the South of Kassala Town. I, with all the members of my family visited these mountains and enjoyed the experience.

We climbed to some height and enjoyed the company of the group of local Sudanese. Some of them were just wandering and enjoying, whereas, some were selling some local products. We bought some as memorable.

We enjoyed the the coffee from a Coffee Seller as well.

The mountains were quite steep and difficult to climb.

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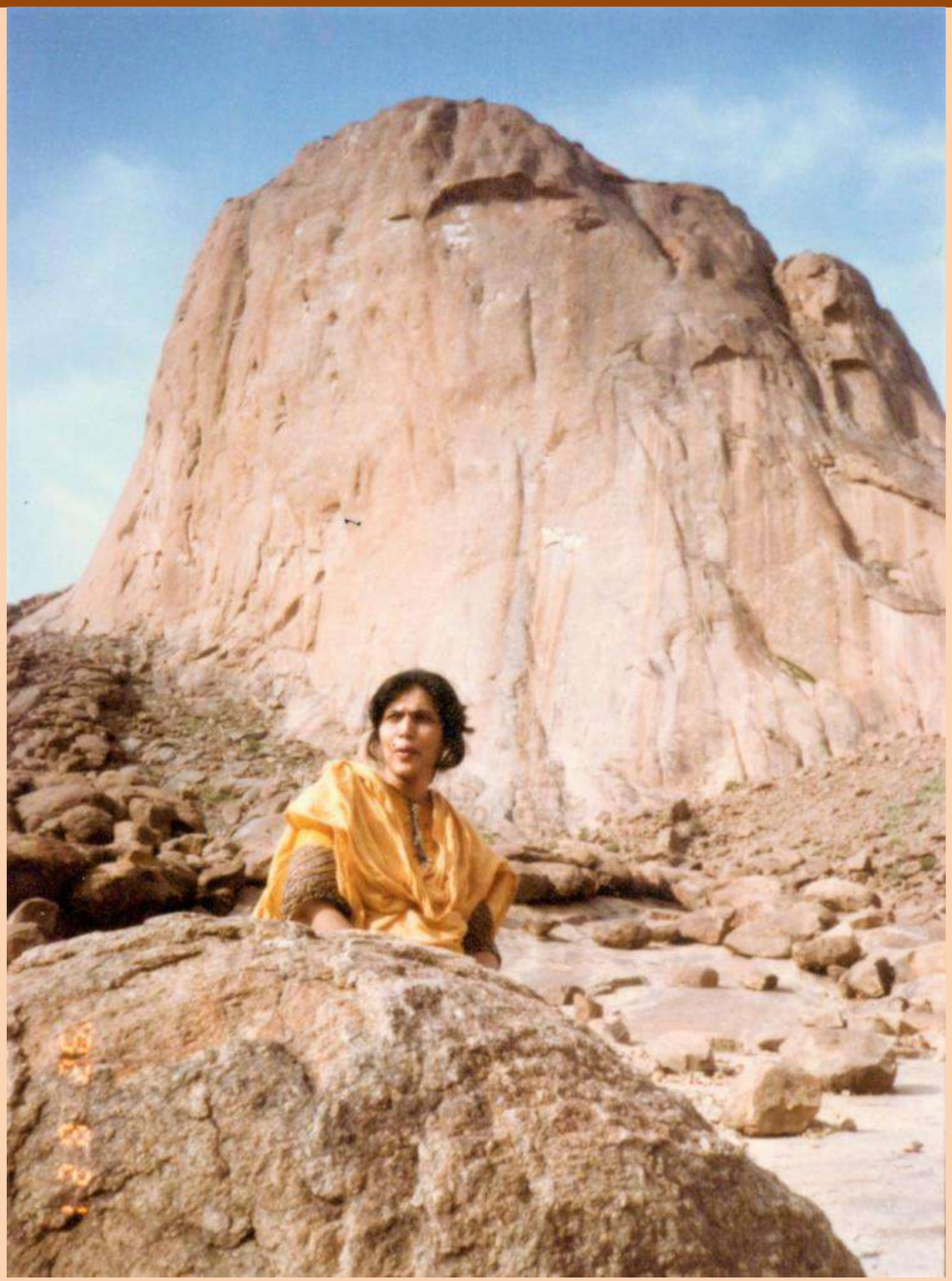

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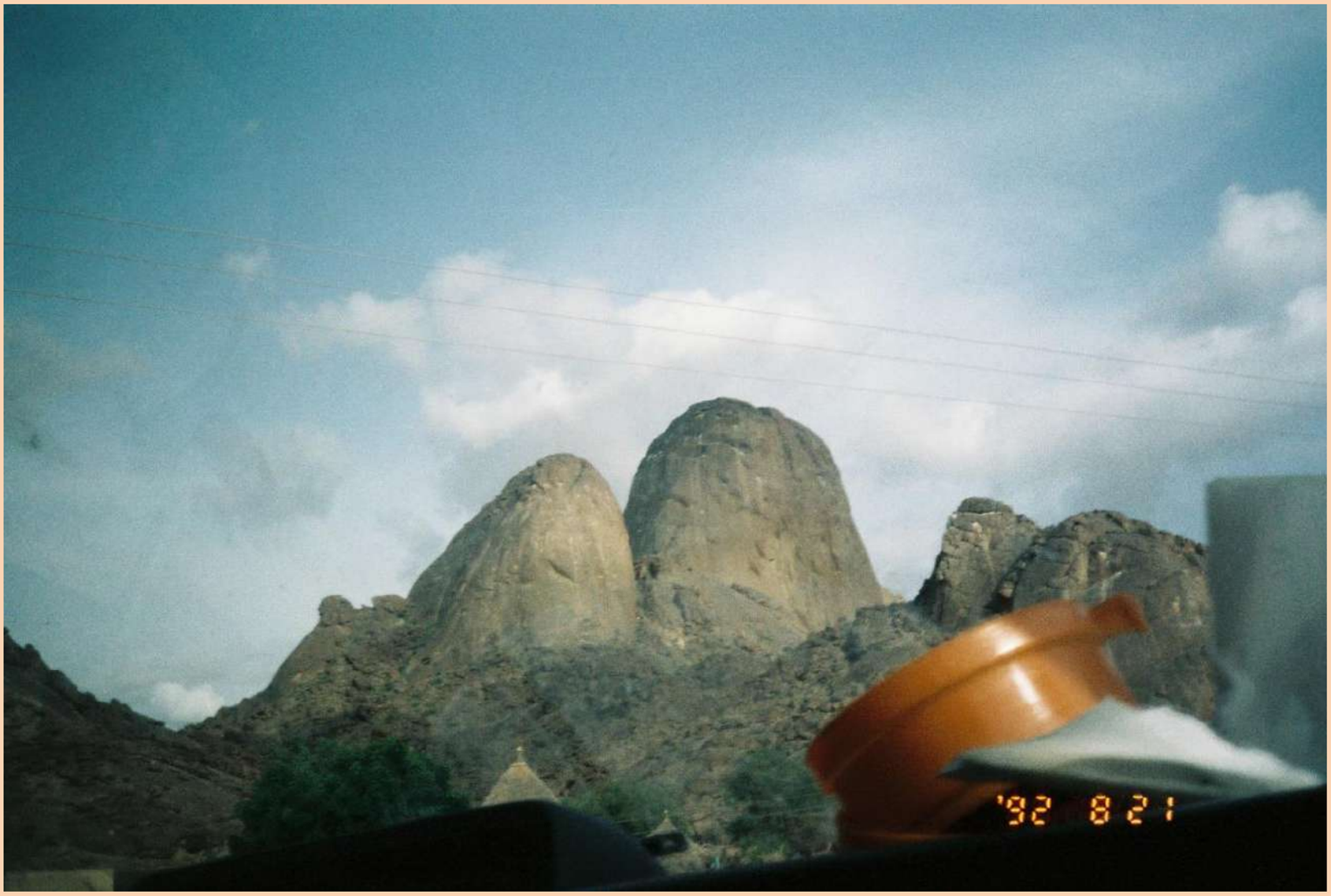
A distance view of Kassala Mountains



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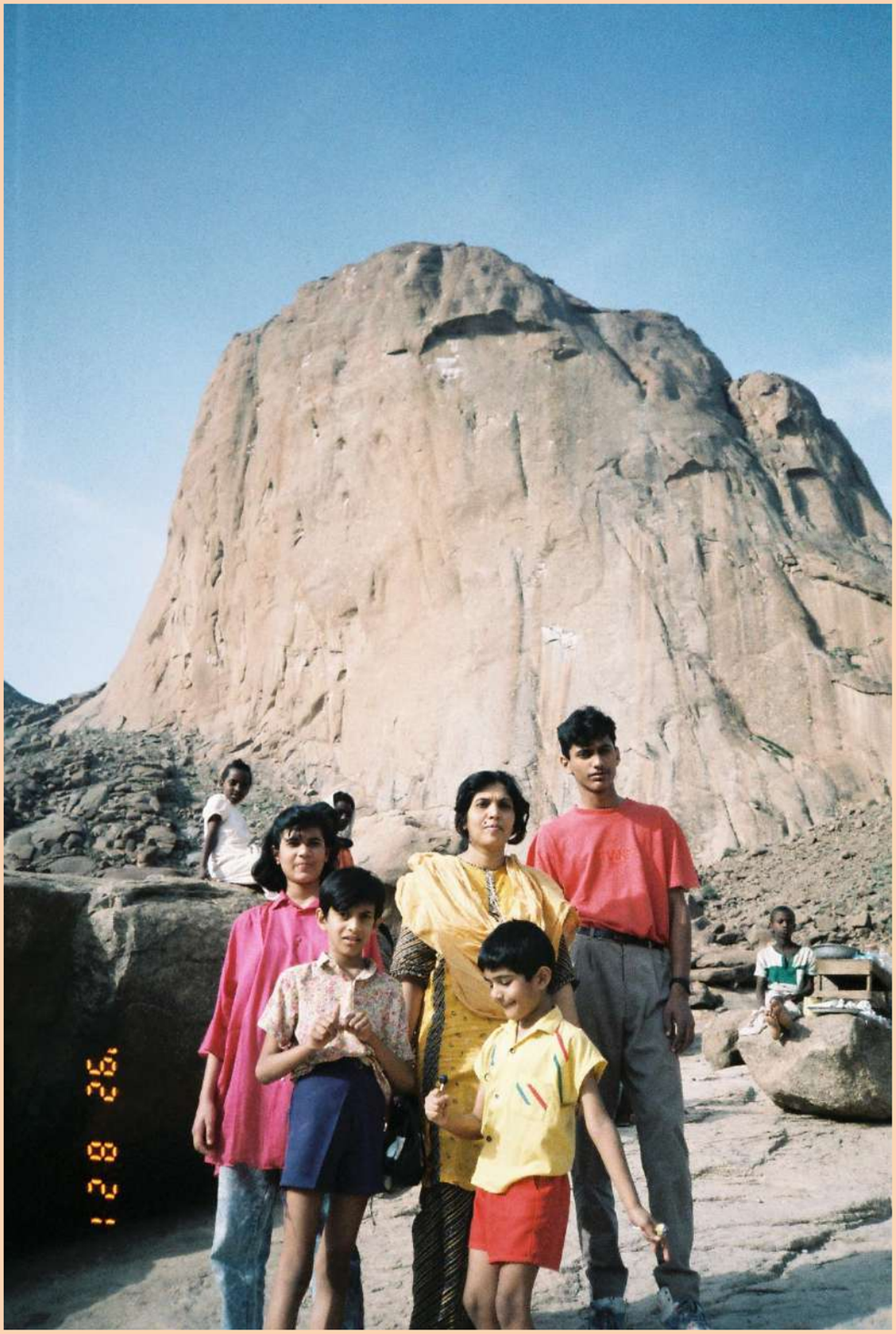
Members of my Family at Kassala Mountains



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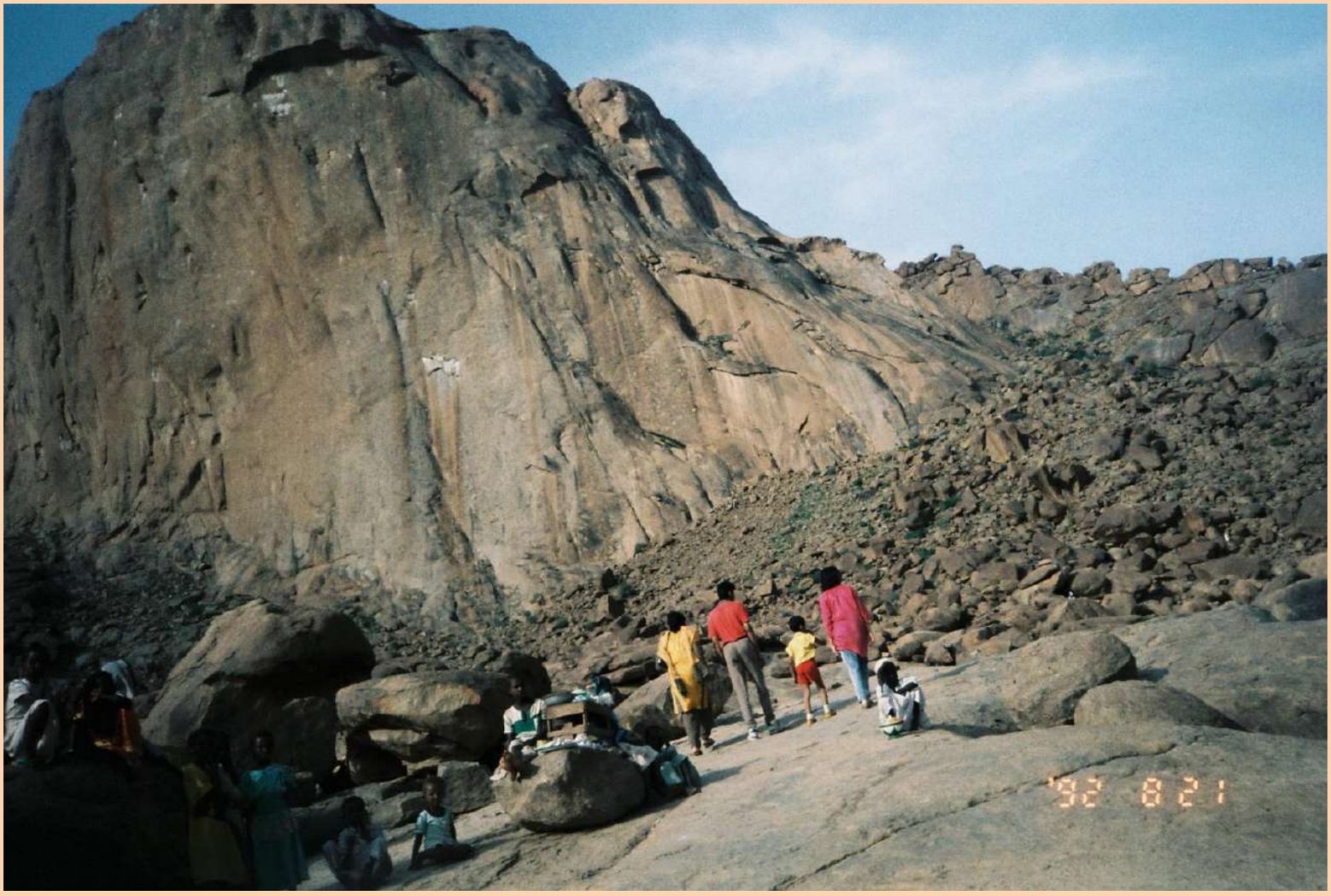
limbing the the mountains Surrounded by Sudanese including a Coffee Maker



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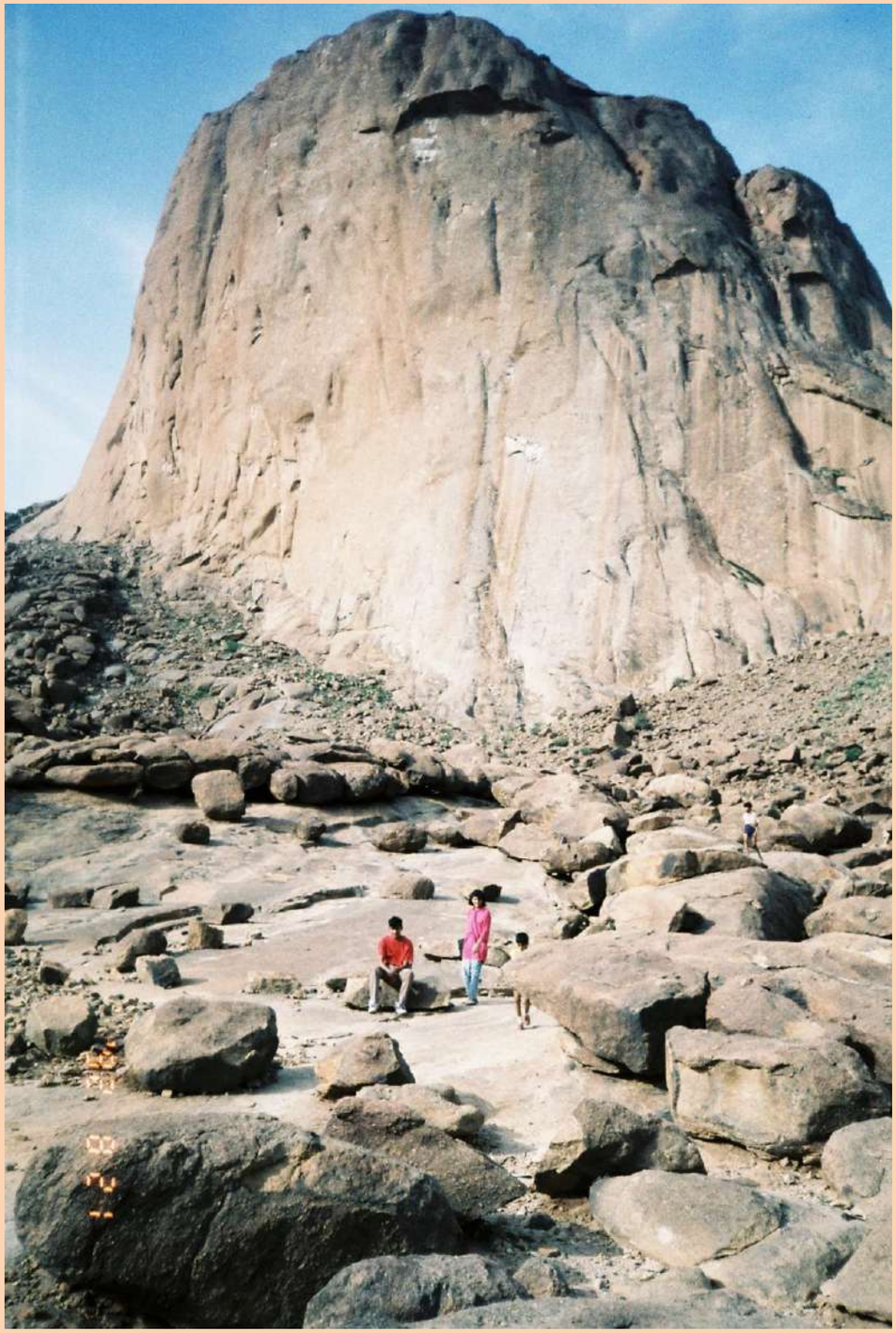
Kiran and Moeen Taking Rest – Jehanzeb behind the stone



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Jehanzeb with his Mother and Sudanese Women Around

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AUGUST 1992

Young Sudanese Boys Also Enjoying the Place

KASSALA – SUDAN
AUGUST 1992

My Son, Moeen Ahmad Khan and Mohsin Ahmad Khan Enjoying their Presence in the Kassala Mountains

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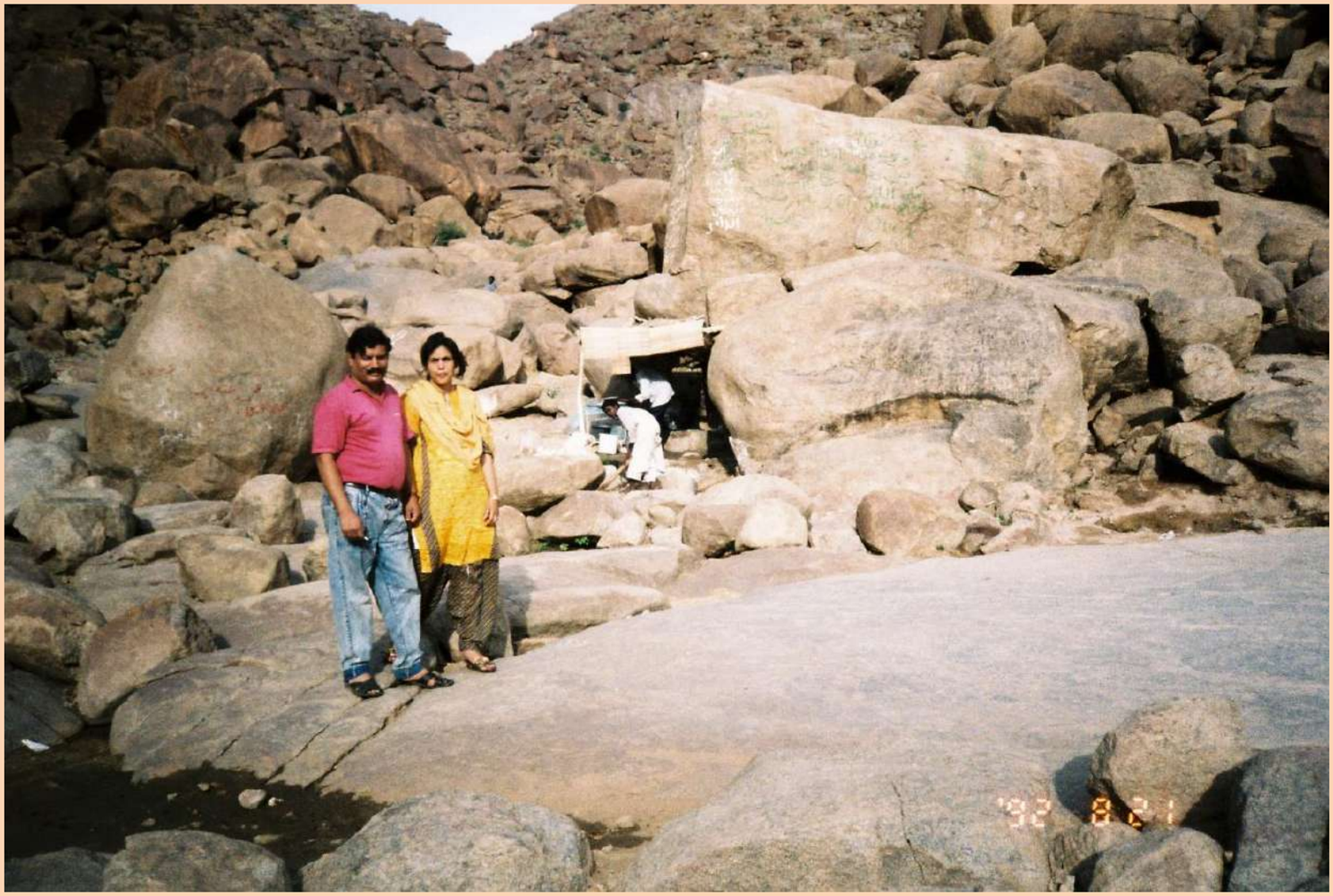
Me and My Wife near a Makeshift Coffee Shop



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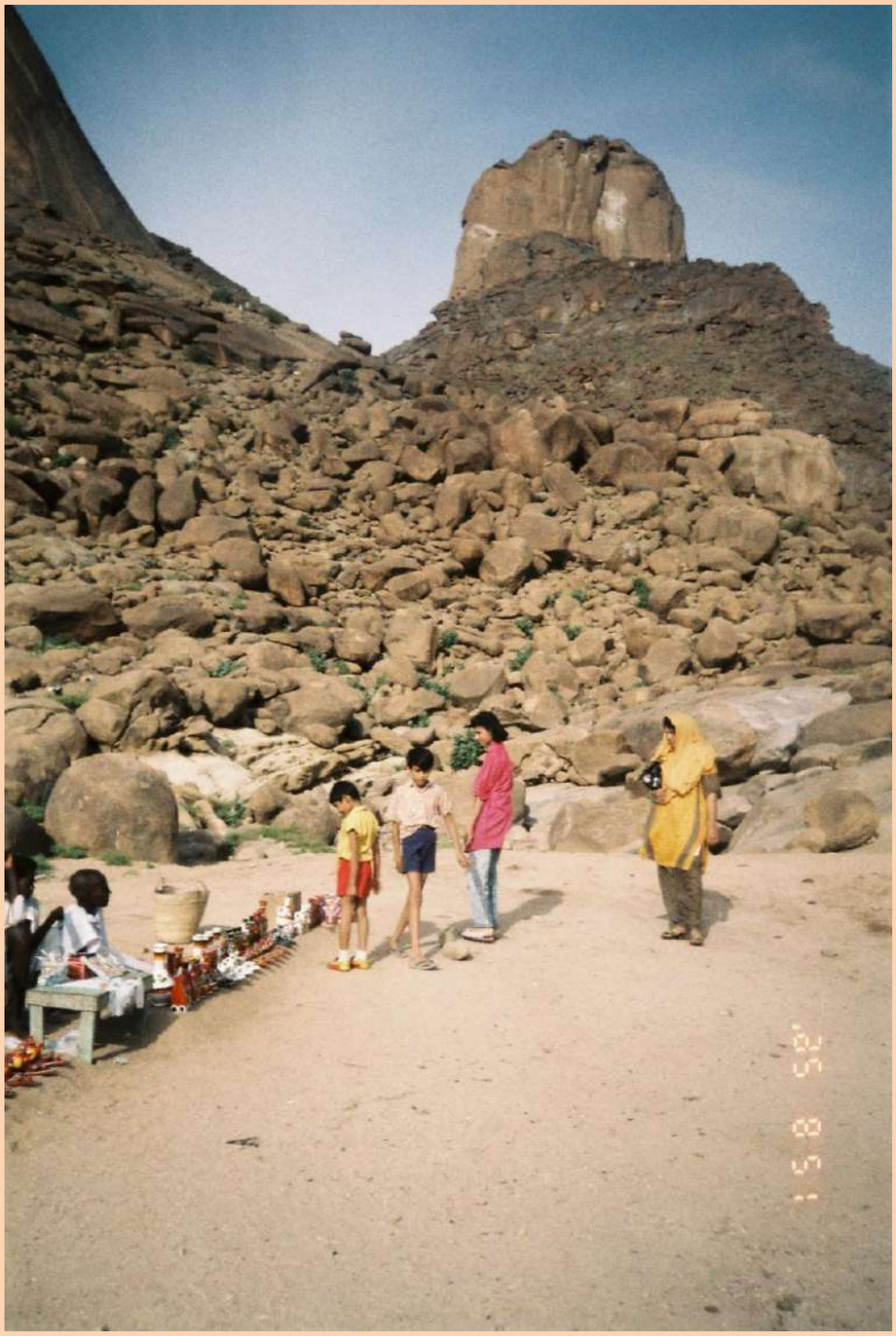
Local Sudanese Selling Earthen and Wooden Toys for Tourists



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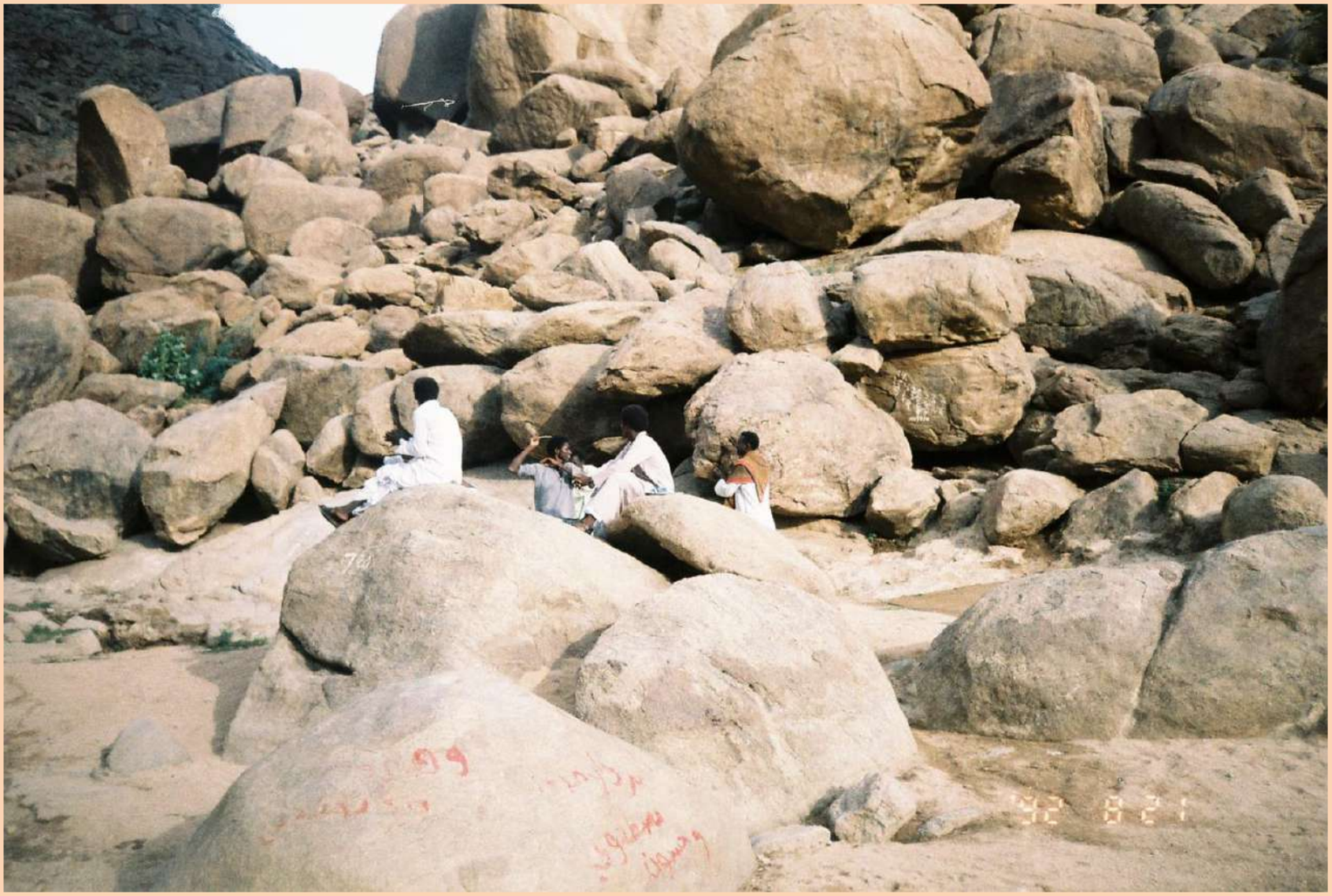
Local Sudanese are wandering around



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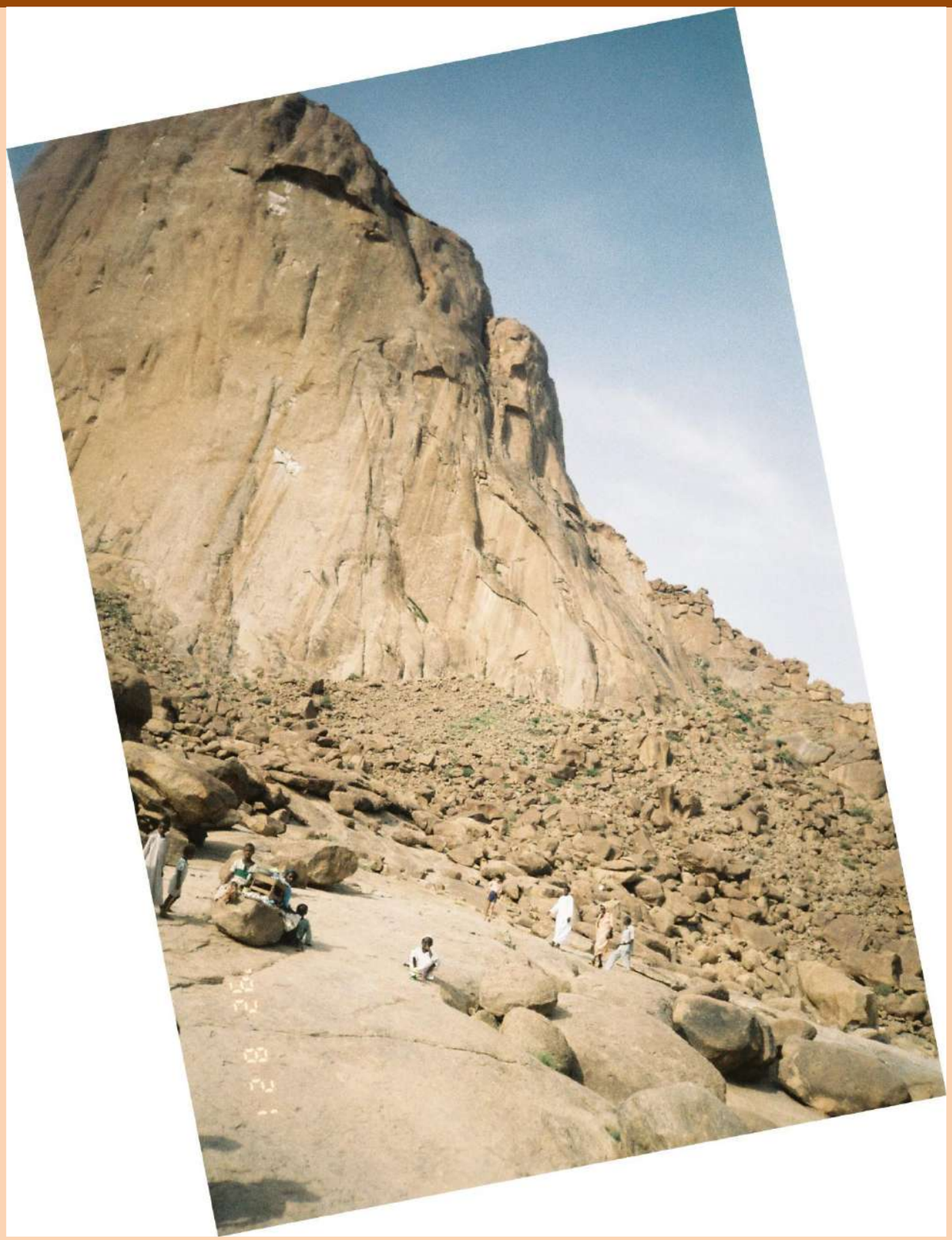

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A SUNDANESE SITTING AT A STONE WHEREAS MY CHILDREN AND STANDING FAR BEHIND

KASSALA – SUDAN
AUGUST 1992

A Make Shift Resting Place made by Local Sudanese

My Son, Mohsin Ahmad Khan in Playful Mood

IN THE RAILWAY COLONY KASSALA

KASSALA – SUDAN
AUGUST 1992

Mohsin and Zeb in the Company of Railway people

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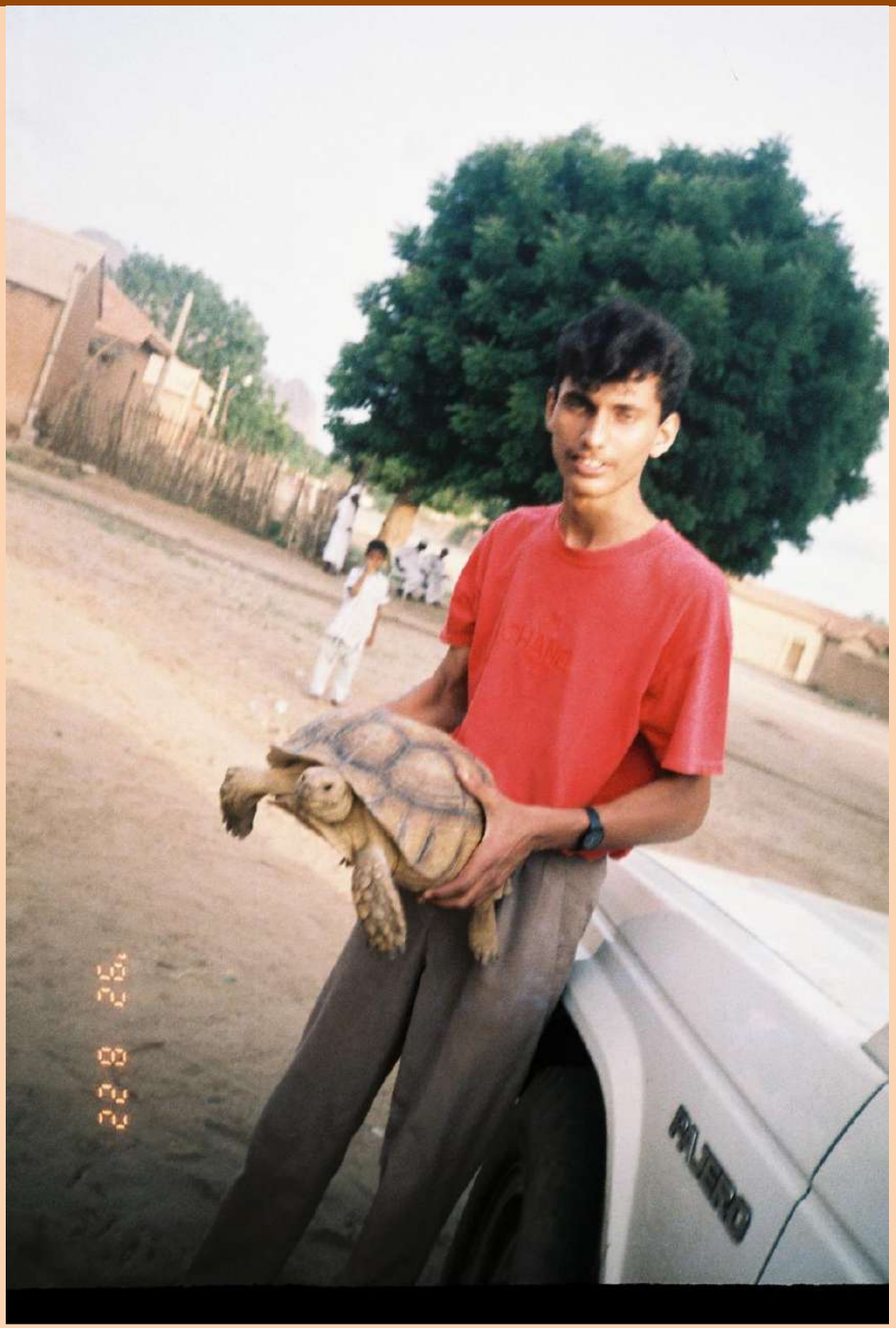

GOOD BYE SUDAN

HOPE TO COME AGAIN

إلى اللّقاء

مَعَ السَّلامَة

SPECIAL NOTE

The Travels through Sudan through pictures penned down in good faith as memoir for us as well for those who go through UPLOADED

The Sudanese people are very nice, friendly and of helpful nature

The whole work, writing, editing, BEATIFICATION, etc. done by myself

Anything wrong

I be excused

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I, Maqsood Ahmad Khan, after having the degree of Master in Economic from Government College, Lahore (Punjab University), qualified the Competitive Examination for Civil Services of Pakistan in 1974; and was allocated to the Traffic (Transportation & Commercial Group) of Pakistan Railways. I rose to the level of General Manager Welfare & Training; and completed my services on 4th March 2010 after attaining the age of superannuation.

During the service, I could visit many a countries: Belgium, Canada, Egypt, France, Holland, Hong Kong, India, Japan, Malaysia, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Switzerland, UAE, USA, UK and West Germany in connection with foreign assignments, training, meetings, visits and studies; alone or with the members of my family.

To make theses journeys memorable, the use of the camera was resorted to, wherever and whenever possible. The collection of the photographs thus taken, when seen at the later years gave an account of travels round the world, which, I am sharing with others as informative; archive value or for personal actualization; that I could visit the places which, I, only dreamt of. Hope, whosoever, finds an opportunity to go through these, would enjoy my Pictorial Travelogue.

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The photographs have been uploaded in good faith, as memoir, of friends colleagues and other people